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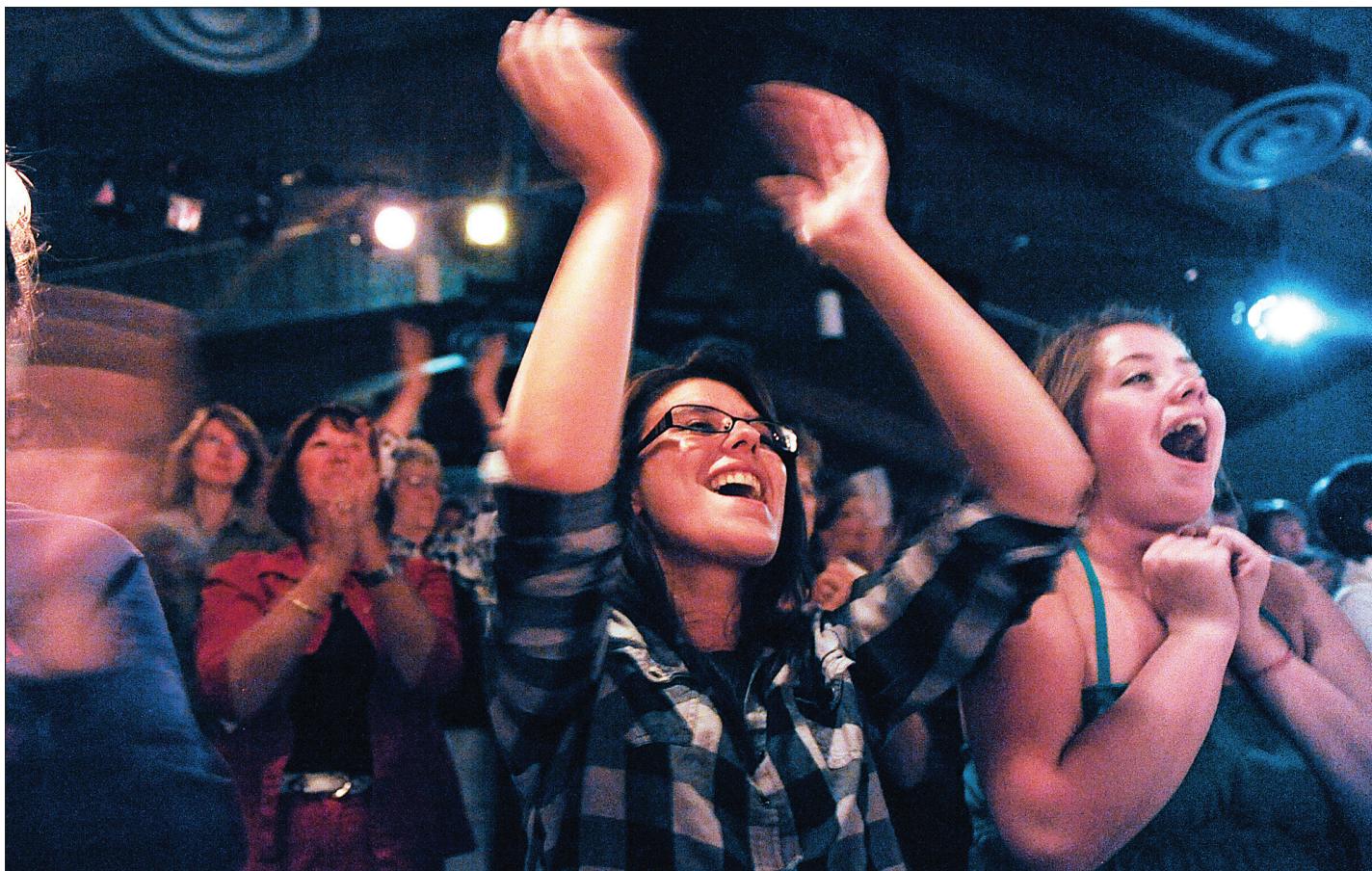
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A standing ovation for outstanding staff

Students applaud Haliburton Highlands Secondary School principal Gary Brohman and teachers Walter Tose and Paul Morissette, who were on stage for the conclusion of the As Time Goes By show held in their honour at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion on Thursday, June 17. See more photos on page 18. Photo by Darren Lum.

■ HUMANITARIANISM

Trip to help Haiti ends up helping helpers

DARREN LUM

Staff reporter

The Woodwards are seeing life in an entirely new light after their recent expe-

rience in Haiti.

Wade Woodward and his son Jesse went to the earthquake-stricken Haiti as part of a team organized by the Water Ambassadors Canada to help provide access to drinkable water.

Water Ambassadors Canada is self-described as a "faith-based, interdenominational, non-profit organization committed to providing clean, safe drink-

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JENN WATT

Editor

When high school athlete Kara Pogue stepped up to the line in a penalty flick against the opposing field hockey team this year, she moved with the purpose and confidence of a team leader and a committed player.

And when she nailed the shot – sending it deep into the net, six inches past the post – she wasn't surprised.

She had been practising for that exact moment all year.

"There was an incredible sense of poise and confidence in Kara, as there is in all great athletes, when she took her place on the line," said her coach, Paul Morissette, as he awarded Pogue female athlete of the year at Tuesday's awards banquet.

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AWARDS BANQUET

Dozens of athletes honoured for excellence

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"Why? Because she had perfected the skill. She knew where the ball was going. She had done all she could do to be the best she could be."

In all sports she played during the years – and the list is extensive – Pogue did not always have a natural ability for the game, and so dedicated herself fourfold to elevating her skill and stamina.

It brought her to a higher level of play and moulded her into a leader on the field, Morissette said.

"Kara had to overcome the self-doubt and insecurity ... It took Kara a while to break that barrier, but once she did, her enthusiasm knew no barriers. She loves to be on the field, the court, the ice. Athletics transforms her way beyond the world of books and formulas and theories and allows her another dimension to grow. Kara's eyes, you see, light up when she's on the field, when she's playing sports. There's a joy," he said.

That same light in Pogue's eyes is mirrored in her male athlete contemporary, Drew Paul, who was honoured by his hockey coach, Gary Brohman, during the ceremony.

"Drew has fire. And I mean, ladies and gentlemen, fire in those eyes. He has a burning desire to win. ... He has this constant and consistent fire at practice," Brohman said.

Named most valuable player this year in hockey, badminton and track and field, Paul not only played and practised hard, but dedicated time to his fellow teammates to help them improve.

On the track and field team, Paul took the time to work with runner Alex McMaster on his hurdles, helping McMaster improve his time for competition.

"When you go the extra mile, you're going to meet Drew Paul, because he's going to be running beside you," Brohman said.

Paul dedicated hours of extra practice time to his sports and it paid off, Brohman said.

"Drew puts out the effort and makes sacrifices. He's never satisfied, he wants more and he puts the hours in in all sports," he said.

The attributes honoured in Pogue and Paul were reflected throughout the annual athletics banquet at the Northern Lights Pavilion as dozens of high school athletes were given deserved accolades for their hard work and sportsmanship.

There was also time set aside to thank coaches Walter Tose, Paul Morissette and Gary Brohman, who all retire at the end of this school year.

"Tonight, it's really sad, because three of the most amazing coaches that Hal High has seen are leaving," Pogue said in a speech honouring the work of all coaches at HHSS.

"On behalf of all the athletes you've coached, I just want to say thank you for all of your years of endless dedication and I cannot thank you enough for everything you do."

Winning athletes this year

Senior girls' basketball: Kaitlin Allore, Christianna Walker
 Junior girls' basketball: Meghan LaPierre, Jessica Rider
 Junior boys' soccer: Mike Mazara
 Senior boys' soccer: Cody Donaldson, Jesse Walker
 Golf: Rob Lewis
 Junior girls' field hockey: Vicky Bukta, Sandy Griffith, Brigitta Hicks
 Girls' varsity field hockey: Caitlan Hunter, Erin Pottier, Kara Pogue, Megan MacDuff



Major award winners (who have achieved 28 seals, 11 gold) from left Drew Paul, Jesse Walker, Scott Griffith, Tiffany vanLieshout, Dylan Graham (intramural award), Christianna Walker and Matt Rae. Photo by Jenn Watt.



Minor award winners (who have achieved 18 seals, seven gold) from left Brett Yake, Alex Monk-Cray, Greg Baumgartner, Jenna Dibblee, Kara Pogue, Josh Dennys, Ashton Haley, Jordan Roberts and Luke Watson.

Junior boys' football: Damon Flatman, Andrew Murray, Seth McKnight, Jonah Stonehouse

Senior boys' football: Greg Baumgartner, Scott Griffith, Matt Rae, Alex Vassos

Wrestling: Nicole Mazara, Bailey Walker, Greg Baumgartner, Cody Cox

Junior boys' basketball: Zach Cox, Damon Flatman
 Senior boys' basketball: Andrew Elia, Luke Watson, Adam van Nood

Figure skating: Kaitlin Allore

Snowboarding: Alex Vassos, Christianna Walker

Nordic ski: Daniel Wright

Junior girls' volleyball: Sarah Comer, Grace Diezel

Senior girls' volleyball: Jenna Dibblee, Tiffany vanLieshout, Hillary Hawley

Boys' hockey: Scott Griffith, Drew Paul, Matt Rae

Girls' hockey: Jillian Mayhew, Paige Roberts

Curling: Jesse Walker

Track and field: Ali Hicks, Brigitta Hicks, Andrew Murray, Drew Paul, Christianna Walker

Junior badminton: Grace Diezel, Andrew Murray, Sam Tallman, Brett Yake

Senior badminton: Kelsey Crowe, Megan MacDuff, Drew Paul, Jesse Schmidt

Junior girls' soccer: Jessica Bishop, Chrissy Shaw

Senior girls' soccer: Jenny Woolacott

Boys' rugby: Greg Baumgartner, Cody Donaldson

Intramural participation award: Dylan Graham

Minor awards (18 seals, seven gold minimum): Kaitlin Allore, Nicole Mazara, Chris Allison, Greg Baumgartner, Ian Bottum, Josh Dennys, Greg Foster, Ashton Haley, Alex Monk-Cray, Andrew Murray, Jordan Roberts, Adam van Nood, Mark Vasey, Brett Yake and Zane Zondervan.

Major awards (28 seals, 11 gold minimum): Hillary Hawley, Kara Pogue, Luke Watson, Jenna Dibblee and Brandon Yake.

Award of excellence (38 seals, 16 gold minimum): Drew Paul, Jesse Walker, Matt Rae, Tiffany vanLieshout, Christianna Walker and Scott Griffith.

Athletes of the year: Kara Pogue and Drew Paul

All signs pointed to Haliburton for retiring teacher

DARREN LUM

Staff reporter

It was just meant to be.

For math teacher Walter Tose, who is retiring from the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School at the end of this year, the future wasn't that apparent until one fateful night.

After graduating from university with a degree in economics, Tose wasn't sure what he wanted to do, let alone what career to pursue until an invitation to a party left him sitting on a couch with an acquaintance, whom he knew for years, but didn't really know that well. His friend, who would become one of his dearest, asked him to come to work up at a residential camp called Camp Couchiching.

Tose accepted the offer and went without expectation, but figures in hindsight

it has led him to the life he has now.

The seven years he spent at Camp Couchiching as the director responsible for more than 100 campers, ages seven to 15, and approximately 60 staff between the ages of 16 and 23, gave him a sense of confidence, purpose and direction towards educating and guiding children in academics and life.

"What if I had never gone to that floor party?" he wondered.

In 1983, at the age of 31, Tose returned to school, attending Queen's University in the faculty of education.

Everything seemed to be pointing to Haliburton even before the weekend he was interviewed for the HHSS job. As a child he spent many summers in the Minden area at his parents' cottage.

After three job interviews with three different schools he only received an offer from Haliburton, which ended up being the best thing, he said.



Retiring high school teacher, Walter Tose, was drawn to Haliburton in many ways. It was like his career at HHSS was meant to be.

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"It's good luck for me that I didn't get a job at the other places," he said.

Sport, like life, is about timing and for the coach of all seasons – in a variety of sports – his decision to retire came at the right time.

"I have reached full eligibility for my pension. My good friends Gary [Brohman] and Paul [Morissette] are also leaving. I have unfortunately had a few colleagues in the past who retired from teaching and then died shortly thereafter from sudden illness – I guess part of my thinking is it would be wise to enjoy my retirement years while I can, and finally, this sounds altruistic, but for every one of us who retires it opens up a job for the incredibly talented, energetic young teachers whom we have on staff and in this board right now – it gives them a better chance of obtaining a permanent job," he said in an email.

For 26 years he has worked at HHSS and has never wanted to teach anywhere else. Along with being the head of mathematics for the past several years, he has taught physics and law.

Years before he became a teacher and had any idea about his career he took an interest inventory test – a school questionnaire that matches students with professions. It matched him to mathematics teacher. At the time he didn't think much about it.

Now with just weeks until retirement he sees value in the experience, but has difficulty pinpointing a specific memory as his favourite.

"There are so many things," he said. "I've had a lot of great classes and wonderful students ... yeah, there are students that give you headaches. In any given class for any given year you're go-

ing to get those, but the vast majority have been wonderful students ... I feel like I've been able to develop a good rapport with a lot of my students that I've had over the years," he said.

Among the fondest memories he points to the athletic and the graduation ceremonies.

Teachers usually don't see the result of their efforts, but the reward comes when the adolescent you knew in Grade 9 has grown into a man or woman and is ready to leave, fully mature and [with] promise, he said.

One of the most rewarding times in athletics was when he coached two different soccer teams that won the Kawartha West championship, completing the feat when all schools were not divided by population, but competed in an open class.

Among his many memories Tose feels the highlights of his experience were his participation with the numerous Remembrance Day ceremonies, annual tribute shows, the musical *Grease* and the musical *Sneaky Fitch*, spearheaded by Ann Varty, which was a musical and a fundraiser that included the entire staff of the school.

In a career that spans more than two decades he hopes that he has left the kind of impression that was made on him by teachers that he looked up to like colleague and fellow retiree Paul Morissette.

"I hope there would be students and maybe staff too who have been inspired by me one way or another in their career choice, or that they were inspired to see somebody stick with their job day in and day out, doing the best they can," he said.

High school was a work of love for Morissette

DARREN LUM

Staff reporter

Listening to him speak about the profession that has been his life it's easy to imagine him working forever.

For Paul Morissette teaching was more than a job. It was an avenue for bringing value to a community he loved as his own hometown. All good things come to an end though and for him it was the right time to step away.

"You've got to retire when you feel at the top of your game," he said. "You don't want to hang on. The other key factor is this: you don't want to regret time. I've been going to school since 1958 every September Time as you get a little older becomes more and more valuable," he said. "This gives you more time to do other things that you wouldn't have time to do."

The grandfather of six will have plenty to do (with obvious babysitting duties), and this could be as simple as weeding a garden, paddling up the river or visiting a friend in the hospital.

The head of the social studies department recently added the duties of being a guidance counsellor and has enjoyed the new challenges and the opportunity to help students with their futures.

With retirement he expects to satisfy his wanderlust that he had only been able to sample the past few summers.

"You almost feel like a kid with a new sense of adventure," he said, hoping he can complete a North American tour visiting places such as Newfoundland.

Not completely a believer of fate, he knows things have worked out well, but is ready for whatever life has in store for him.

From the small town of Haileybury located in Northern Ontario, Morissette said, after his experience majoring in political science and history at the Carleton University in Ottawa, he thought of raising his family and teaching in a place similar to his hometown.

A lover of history and political science, Morissette didn't really know what career to pursue while going to school until he worked for two years as the director of youth activity for the Ottawa Boys Club in Centre Town, Ottawa.

After he finished teachers' college at the University of Toronto with a Bachelor of Education, he applied to a school in Red Lake, Ont. and in Haliburton.

"It wasn't even close," he said, remembering Red Lake was far too remote as it lies where the road ends in Northern Ontario.

He was 23, married, with one son and twins on the way in his first September at HHSS. He was living in a small 600-square-foot home in Gooderham and



DARREN LUM/Echo

Retiring Haliburton Highlands Secondary School teacher Paul Morissette hopes that the students he has taught will be objective and be active in the community.

when winter came he remembers attaching chains to his tires to make the 40-minute-plus drive since he was expected to come to school regardless of weather.

In school he helped coach a variety of sports teams and even helped coach community hockey. On top of teaching history he recalls a third of his teaching timetable dedicated to special education that first year.

He adds, smiling, the best thing you can do is "take what you like to do and do it as a job."

Ever since he started at the school 34 years ago he has been a coach of almost every sport, believing in the importance of sport and the opportunity to encourage children and youth to be good people as well as students.

He said when you work with students outside of the classroom the relationship changes.

"They get to know you as a person and not just as a teacher," he said. "That's one of the great things about coaching. You get to know kids a whole lot better and they get to know you ... your personal side. There is a mutual respect that is forged when you spend hours working with kids."

Morissette has coached girls' and boys' basketball, cross-country running, girls' volleyball, field hockey and track and field to name a few from his long list of coaching duties. After school he was a perennial coach with community hockey for more than 25 years and has been on a variety of committees and councils.

All his children attended the high school, including his son Jason who has been a teacher at the school for the last 12 years.

"We have Red Hawk blood flowing through our veins. It's part of who we

make an impact on people's lives. We really do, whether it's by saying hello in the hall, or asking how grandpa was ... we have the ability not just with the subjects we teach, but by the personal connections to impact people's lives to reach out and not many people can do that," he said. "We do it with teenagers at a vulnerable stage of life [for them]."

He said he'd never forget the students lost to tragedies, but will hold dear the achievements accomplished by students in academics and athletics.

As far as legacies go he hopes that the students he taught remember to think, to be objective and have respect for themselves and other people.

"There's an appreciation of what you have that there is result of good and the bad because there is some bad stuff too as a result of our past. The love of knowledge; the love of history; a passion with politics. That we have to be responsible. It's our country. I call it a Canadian experiment because we're a brand new country. Kids have to be engaged. Hopefully they will be engaged and stimulated as adults and therefore be involved in the community," he said.

are," he said.

Teachers are in a unique and trusted position, which he values and never takes lightly.

"We have the ability as educators to



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Mixed bag summer

IT WAS A STRUGGLE this week to squish in all of the stories and photos of all the events going on in Haliburton.

We've hit that critical period where summer is ramping up, but school is still running and added to that a municipal election is looming.

There is a plethora of things to talk about – and write about – in the Highlands.

Downtown Haliburton was jammed with cars on Saturday as people visited the locations on the Doors Open tour, rummaged through the Treasures 'n' Trash sale for the Rails End

Gallery and watched the unveiling of Matt Duchene's mural on the arena.

At the high school, students aren't just getting ready for their own graduation, but are saying goodbye to three outstanding faculty members: Walter Tose, Paul Morissette and Gary Brohman.

It seems every event at HHSS has a tribute to the three hard-working, inspiring educators due to their popularity.

Then there is the municipal election, which isn't actually happening until October, but you wouldn't know it by the way candidates are scrambling to get their platforms out to the local and cottager populations.

They have a difficult task; a large part of the potential voter base is only here part of the time. How do they reach the seasonal population and, more importantly, how do they make them vote in the fall when their attentions are focused on all things career and city?

It is the perfect environment for a newspaper. It keeps our pages full of colourful, fun-filled photos of people enjoying life, but also grounds us with serious stories about how to make our communities better.

It's going to be a great summer.

Shifting gears the fifth time

The Haliburton cycling festival is just less than a week away and will be the centrepiece of the weekend's activities in the village.

Whether you cycle or not, the spirit of a festival geared to clean transportation that makes you healthier is inspiring.

The organizers of this event are some of the biggest community boosters we have – even if they're a little fanatical about everything with two wheels – and the festival, in its fifth year is a tribute to their enthusiasm for creating a better Haliburton and better world.

Even if you don't care for cycling, the principles behind the festival still ring true: find ways to be better stewards of the environment, be kind to your body and try to have some fun along the way.

It's a message worth celebrating.

editorial

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Abandoned

Photo by Chad Ingram

Arrogant worms, friendly mosquitoes

I SAW SOMETHING really strange the other day as I prepared to cut the grass at the driving range where I work. There was this worm just lying there on the short putting green grass. No other creatures around. Just one solitary worm.

That got me to thinking, why is he here? Where are the others? What kind of arrogant worm travels alone?

That got me to thinking that maybe he was out partying late last night (one would think worms have the ability to celebrate) and is lazily staggering home.

That got me to thinking that maybe I was seeing this all wrong. Maybe this worm had been banished from the underworld for some wretched treasonous activity. Maybe this was some form of worm punishment.

That got me to thinking that maybe I should help this worm. Aside from the fact I might mistakenly puree him with the mower he'd also have to avoid hungry birds (namely robins who are notorious for this sort of thing) and the subsequent rising heat of the day.

That got me to thinking that he isn't really a he after all. I remember from some archaic part of my brain that earth worms are evidently hermaphrodites (they have both uh, hot and cold running water, for those unfamiliar with



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Thinking small

the term). That got me to thinking I should stop referring to him as a him.

That got me to thinking how we humans know these sorts of things, which got me to thinking about how we really don't know these facts are actually true.

That got me to thinking about how arrogant we are towards things in the animal world (because of supposedly superior brain) and why it's considered to be true simply because we say it's true.

That got me to thinking about animal mating patterns and how we claim to know everything about their romantic lifestyles just because we have some video evidence of two turtles engaged in a mating dance.

That got me to thinking that maybe mosquitoes don't hate us after all, just that perhaps sticking their noses into our forearms is their way of saying hi. That got me thinking that killing something simply for saying hi is not a great foundation for a relationship.

That got me thinking that it was getting very hot very quickly. That got me to thinking maybe I should get back to helping that worm. That got me to thinking I really should have done something about this a lot sooner.

That got me thinking that maybe I should get back to work.

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Father's Day

WELL," my little girl asked, "what do you think, Dad?" I looked at her and smiled. "This is a great gift, sweetheart."

"Oh, thank goodness," she said. "Mom and I were driving home and I remembered that I hadn't bought you a gift yet. So when she stopped at the gas station, I went shopping. I bought these with my own money."

I looked at them once again – one jar of jalapeno-flavoured pickled eggs and another filled with jalapeno-flavoured olives.

"They're the hot jalapenos, Dad!" she said excitedly. "There were hotter ones there, but mom said that this were probably plenty hot enough."

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"Well they are perfect," I said as I placed them on the counter.

"Aren't you going to have a couple now?" she asked.

Suddenly, my worst fears were realized.

"No," I replied, quite calmly, "I was thinking of saving them for a special occasion."

"This is a special occasion," she said. "It's Father's Day."

As much as I didn't want to admit it, she had a point. Father's Day is a special day – and not just for the jalapeno industry. It's also pretty good for

the makers of gaudy neckties, bobble heads or any product with the phrase "World's Greatest Dad" written on it.

As near as I can figure, there are two schools of thought on Father's Day gifts too. The first was ably demonstrated by my daughter this past Sunday – we'll call it the get-him-something-from-the-gas-station-that-no-one-would-have-ever-guessed-in-a-million-years school of thought. Ceramic reptiles, ashtrays for non-smokers and almost every jalapeno-based product on the face of the earth fall into this category. So too does the skull and crossbones do rag I was given last year.

The second is the get him something that he already has, because if he has one, he must already really like it and therefore probably wouldn't mind another one school of thought. Neckties, mugs, plungers and socks are good examples of this. A friend of mine gets a new barbecue brush every year.

Of course there is movement within these categories too. For instance, the gift I received this year is now eligible to be included in the second category next year. It's sort of like the moose tag draw.

This has been the way ever since the first Father's Day was celebrated in Spokane, Washington in 1910. In fact, two years ago I believe I was given a jug of cologne that was created just about then. I still use it when the deer flies get thick.

Not everyone plays by the rules, however. Yesterday, I heard a fellow I know say that he was given a generous gift certificate to his favourite sporting goods shop for Father's Day. This is not only something he truly likes but something he actually looks forward to using. And, as such, it goes against the very spirit of a Father's Day gift.

Maybe I'm overly traditional, but I think he should face a lifetime ban for this transgression. At the very least he should be made to exchange it in place for a Christmas tie that depicts a reindeer whose nose lights up and flashes.

I'm not just saying this because I've had a bad morning due to jalapeno-related issues, either. No, I'm saying this because I believe Father's Day serves a much higher and nobler purpose than mere abject happiness. I believe it toughens us up as men and teaches us how to face true adversity. If you can smile, for instance, after you've eaten your 10th jalapeno-stuffed olive, then you are prepared for lesser challenges such as an alien abduction or an evening of chick flicks.

That's what Father's Day is truly designed to do, if you ask me. Now if you'll excuse me, I've got a pickled egg to eat.



pic of the past

Local soldiers of D Company were joined by family and friends to see them off to war in 1916. Many in this picture never came back. The back of the picture notes the potties on the soldiers' legs. They had brass bottoms that had to be polished every day. When they got to France, the brass bottoms reflected light and Germans would spot the soldiers by the reflections.

Sharon Moore emailed the *Echo* about the pic of the past in June 8's edition. It is the original Haliburton Lake (Fort Irwin) Service Station and Marina that was erected around 1953. The marina is still in operation today.

letters to the editor

Cigarette butts are toxic

To the Editor,

Our family has recently had the pleasure of purchasing a cottage in the area. My kids are absolute nature nuts! As we were tidying up the pond this weekend my son, age six, asked me why people throw their cigarettes in and around the lake.

He said, "It doesn't make sense that they use this beautiful place as a garbage dump! Don't they know cigarettes are poison to us and the animals who live here?"

I responded by saying many people do not think before they act. I truly hope that the answer is that

simple.

Did you know that cigarette filters are actually a form of plastic that can take years to break down? A used filter is also full of toxic chemicals that leach into our waterways and ground water!

Please think twice before you throw your next cigarette butt out of your car window or over the side of your boat. We would not tolerate such behaviour from a child discarding a candy wrapper!

Kim and Ayden
Toronto/Haliburton

There are alternatives to owning a car

To the Editor,

I want to thank you and Darren Lum for your excellent coverage of the transportation forum at Fleming College June 1.

I would also like to clarify the fact that the transportation forum was organized and hosted by Environment Haliburton! www.environmenthaliburton.ca and the U-Links Centre for Community-Based Research, www.ulinks.ca.

In a rural setting alternatives to car ownership, for example ride sharing, car sharing or a van/shuttle bus system, help reduce greenhouse

gas emissions, reduce transportation costs and provide greater access to jobs and community events.

Anyone who would like more information can contact the U-Links Centre for Community-Based Research at 286-2411 or email ulinks@on.aibn.com.

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Non-motorized community has more opportunities

To the Editor,

RE: "The committee feels there's lots of room for them to ride in the county, they don't need to be on the Rail Trail," McMahon said

As for what our members "need," County Councillor Jim McMahon seems to infer that he has access to the personal wants and desires of the members of the Ontario Federation of Trail Riders.

His point is somewhat valid. Nobody really "needs" to be on the Rail Trail. Walkers, cyclists, ATVs and snowmobilers can enjoy their activities elsewhere as well. The non-motorized community has more opportunities than a motorized user insofar as available trails in our county and many are 100 per cent funded by the county. Head Lake Park, Glebe Park, the Sculpture Trail and over 30 more that we are not asking to use. Perhaps we should re-think that?

What the economic development and tourism committee "feels" is certainly interesting although the county of Haliburton council adopted the Rail Trail master plan. Master plans are how municipal governments are supposed to be able to avoid ongoing consultations about controversial issues and provide guidance for future decisions. The process assures the taxpayers and the stakeholders that all points of view have been considered and the decisions have been made. In order to refuse to enter into an agreement with the OFTR, the Rail Trail master plan needs to be amended which should not happen since there was an extensive review last year and no changes to the plan were made.

In fact, the county council felt that after much consultation and debate, to re-approve the plan and then "felt" the same way after a public consultation session in

early 2009. The county then passed a motion to enter into a use agreement with the Ontario Federation of Trail Riders in April 2009.

In June 2009, the OFTR was made the sole proponent of some federal funds and chose to partner with the county to make surface improvements to placate the non-motorized users of the trail. The master plan and use agreement asks for "annual debris retrieval, travelled surface restoration, minor clearing and erection of related signage" so the OFTR chose to allocate a portion of our allotment and partnered with the county 50/50 on \$139,712 of trail widening and resurfacing from Haliburton to the fish hatchery.

So motorized users are asked to pick up other peoples trash, educate irresponsible operators and make cash investments for surface preparation, signage and maintenance in order to enjoy their choice of recreation and we do so willingly and enthusiastically. We provide additional liability insurance, incorporate our organizations and have great references with the counties and municipalities we have agreements with.

It is interesting to me that when I visit the public library, I don't have to take out the garbage or wipe down the tables to be there and if someone else is making too much noise or disturbing others, my right to use the library is not threatened.

The Haliburton Trails and Tours Network once asked a representative from hiking if we could charge a fee to help recover some of the \$25,000 invested into the Head Lake Trail and help with the maintenance and management costs and was told that it would not be fair.

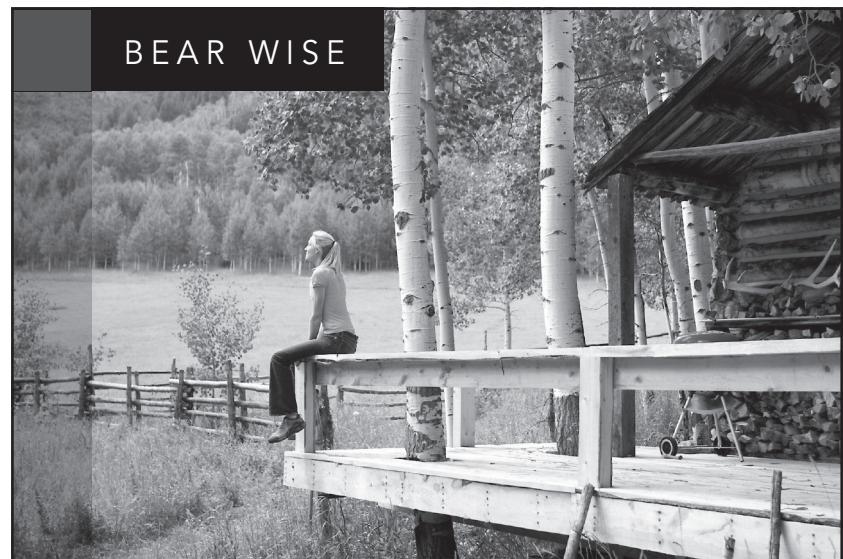
I am told there are some renegade motorcyclists seen on the Rail Trail from time to time. I don't know them but I am will-

ing to meet them and hopefully educate them about the effect they are having on the other trail users and local residents. I am thankful that I don't have to stand on the roadways and educate drunk drivers in order to keep using the roads. That is what enforcement is for.

The next time I think I "need" to have something, I will be sure to ask my local

politicians what I should have for dinner or what I need to improve my quality of life. It seems they understand me more than I do.

**Ken Hoeverman - executive director
Ontario Federation of Trail Riders**

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No upside to Enduro bikes on Rail Trail

To the Editor,

Any suggestion that Enduro dirt bikes be permitted on the Haliburton County Rail Trail is remarkably short-sighted and regressive. There is absolutely no "upside" to such an idea except to those who ride these motorcycles.

A decision to allow these noisy and destructive (aggressive knobby tires and potentially high speed) vehicles on the trail will significantly reduce or completely eliminate the use of this most public of spaces by every other non-motorized user

group (and perhaps even the ATVs!). There is no well-managed, well-used, publicly owned rail trail that I am aware of that allows these vehicles.

Be clear, this opinion is not offered as a condemnation of this activity or the Ontario Federation of Trail Riders; rather a caution ... this kind of sharing just won't work.

Disclosure: I am a member of the Haliburton Highlands Cycling Coalition.

Sean Pennylegion
Haliburton

Haliburton COUNTY news

NEW BEGINNINGS

Haliburton County Historical Society makes debut

ANGELICA BLENICH

Staff reporter

For Larry Giles, history has always played an important role in his life.

The retired historian, who has dedicated more than two decades of his life to preserving and recognizing the importance of history, will once again be at the helm of an organization focused on the past.

Giles is the founder of the newly formed Haliburton County Historical Society, which will be hosting its first meeting on June 30 at the Maple Lake United Church.

"In order to move forward you have to know your history," said Giles, who worked on the historical board for 17 years and was on the heritage board in Brampton.

The idea to form a society came from the realization that Haliburton was currently void of a countywide historical initiative.

"I was surprised that we didn't have a historical society," said Giles. "I thought, well if I have this interest somebody else must have this interest too."

"We started with going to the volunteer fair. We had about 12 people there show interest in becoming involved with our organization."

Since then the Haliburton museum, Minden cultural centre and Stanhope museum have all come on board. Giles has also connected with the Arts Council because, as he said, there's a heritage

component to their organization as well.

"I started by calling it the Haliburton Historical Society," said Giles, "and then I realized I should rename it to be more encompassing to the entire county."

The organization's first meeting will include guest speaker Rob Leverty, the executive director of the Ontario Historical Society.

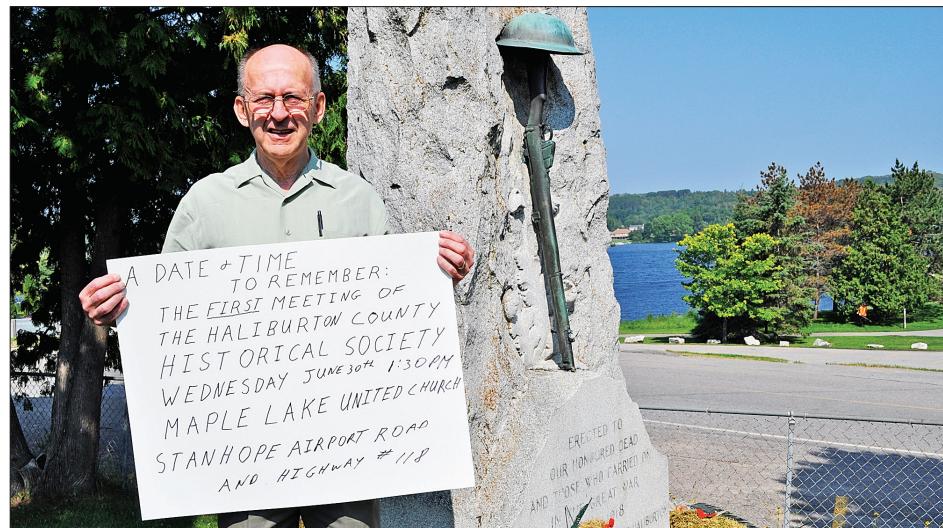
"We have to have the executive director of the Ontario Historical Society present at first meeting in order to be incorporated under the Ontario Historical Society Act of 1899," said Giles. "He will conduct the election of the slate of officers and approve the constitution and bylaws at the first meeting."

According to the organization's constitution, the purpose of the society is to advance education by improving the public's understanding and awareness of cultural history by hosting events, displays, exhibitions and performances and producing educational material. The society will also act to preserve and promote Haliburton's natural heritage, cemeteries and built structures, including archival documents.

Giles is glad for funding Dysart received for downtown beautification, but sees a need for heritage grants too.

"It's good that we're doing the streetscape project in Haliburton but there are certain landmarks that need to be preserved," said Giles.

The society's future meetings will include presentations from such familiar names as Ute Wright, speaking on the history of Donald, and Jim Frost telling



Larry Giles stands next to the cenotaph located in the heart of the village of Haliburton with a sign promoting the first meeting of the newly formed Haliburton County Historical Society, to take place on June 30 at the Maple Lake United Church. /Photo Angelica Blenich

the tale of Thomas Haliburton. Giles has been promoting the society throughout the county in the hopes of grabbing the attention of those interested in history and having them become involved.

"I have a few people on board who are currently involved with organizations that have been skirting history," said Giles. "So it made me think why haven't we got history itself."

History is what also brought Giles to Haliburton, as his own life includes a finely woven thread of Haliburton throughout the years.

"My father was born here," said Giles, "and my grandfather was the first doctor here, back in the 1900s. He was also

the reeve of Dysart and the warden of the county for a number of years.

"As a kid I went to the Lochaven Inn with my parents," said Giles, "and I went to Kilcoo Camp and Sherwood Forest as a camper."

Giles's fond memories of summers in Haliburton are another reason he decided to get the ball rolling now, rather than put the society off until the fall.

"We're starting it in the summer because it's something that may have an interest to the tourists in regards to knowing more about the local area," said Giles.

Point in Time looks towards upcoming projects

ANGELICA BLENICH

Staff reporter

The Point in Time AGM, held on June 16 at Fleming College, marked the end of another busy year for the agency dedicated to children, youth and parents.

Marg Cox, the executive director of the organization, emphasized the important role the agency plays in the community during her annual report.

"The African proverb which says it takes a village to raise a child can certainly be taken into account," said Cox. "In our case it takes an entire county to raise a child. We need to give children

and youth a county that cares and a county that will help them."

Cox made mention of a program the organization is hoping to provide in the form of a new tri-ministry pilot project regarding children's mental health that the agency is awaiting final confirmation on.

The meeting also included guest speaker Larry Hope, director of education for the Trillium Lakelands District School Board.

Hope spoke further about the pilot project and the relationship between the school board and Point in Time.

"The school board and your organization both care about kids," said Hope.

"We're facing the same challenges you are in that there are never enough resources, which will continue to be a challenge in the future."

Hope believes the project announcement will only bring good news to the county of Haliburton.

"I'm hoping we can become a provincial leader in programming surrounding children's mental health," said Hope. "It is certainly my hope that we continue to work together. I am very optimistic about our children's future."

Details surrounding the project are being kept under wraps until the announcement is officially made.

"It's more about a way of capturing

data for services in Haliburton County to more clearly identify which children could benefit from services," said Dan Bajorek, program manager for Point in Time. "There would be a series of questions which would give people a better standard to identify issues."

If selected, the program will benefit both the agency and the county as a whole according to Cox.

"It means putting kids first and making the system work around them," said Cox during the AGM. "We've been put on a short list because we've shown we know how to work together."

RESEARCH

Summer project surveys county businesses

DARREN LUM

Staff reporter

Dennis Casey is hitting the streets to complete the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce Business Research Survey as result of funding from the Haliburton County Development Corporation through the Local Initiatives grant.

Despite a membership of nearly half of the businesses in the county, the chamber wants to expand its database of information for its 353 members and non-members business to create a complete picture. This will be accomplished by learning about the challenges and concerns of all businesses services, actions and resources available to new and established businesses for support and growth, including identifying business-to-business opportunities in the county.

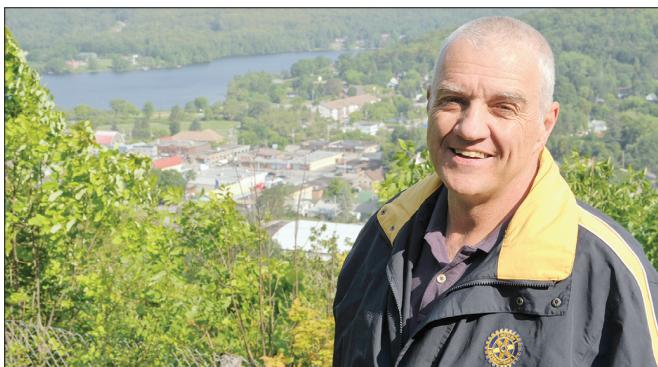
Chamber board member Larry Clarke led the initiative to conduct the survey, which he hopes is a resource tool to help with business planning and growth.

The chamber, which provides members with advocacy and leadership opportunities, is working with the department of economic development for Haliburton County, the Haliburton County Development Corporation and U-Links to ensure there wasn't a duplication of information for this project.

Casey, who was born in the old hospital that is now the Canoe FM building in Haliburton, knows this area intimately and will be working hard to get an understanding of all the businesses in the Highlands.

"I think it is a good move on the part of the chamber," he said. "There hasn't been a survey of this type done for quite some time [that I know about]. It's likely overdue. They are trying to get a sense of how businesses are doing, whether they are prospering or having problems. I'm looking forward to it and think I can do a good job on it."

This isn't new territory for the owner of Roxden Management Services as he has completed similar kinds of research projects before. His most recent was two



Dennis Casey of Roxden Management Services is excited to be working on the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce business research survey as its results are expected to reveal a fuller picture of business in Haliburton County. /Photo by Darren Lum

years ago for Sport Alliance Ontario – a not-for-profit provincial sport management agency – where he was responsible for surveying and collecting information about all the potential venue locations across the province Ontario Youth and Ontario Senior Games.

Casey has always believed in giving back to his community, actively involved with the Rotary Club of Haliburton and most recently with the Minden Rotary.

He has served on the chamber board, including two stints as president years before. He has recently rejoined the chamber as a member after a few years away for work.

Business owners can expect him to be telephoning and making the rounds this week with survey in hand.

He expects to survey as many businesses he can between now and mid-August, including non-members.

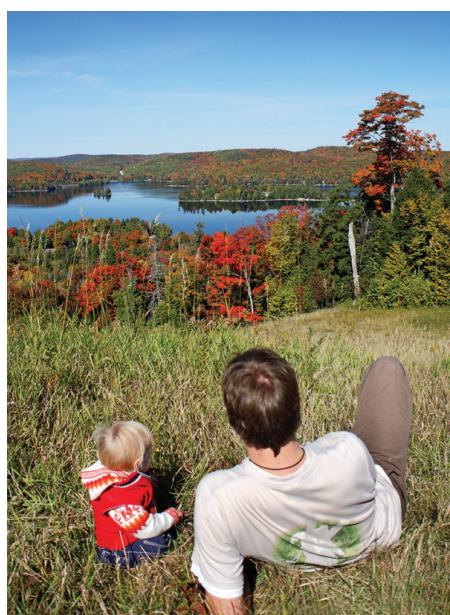
Clarke said he hopes to have the information ready for his web designer in September and expects to have the information available thereafter on the chamber website.

Ultimately the chamber wants to have a comprehensive directory of the businesses, detailing roles, responsibilities and resources.

The 40-page multi-answer questionnaire requires approximately 30 minutes to complete and Casey will be present for the duration.

Contact Casey at roxden@sympatico.ca or make arrangements through the chamber.

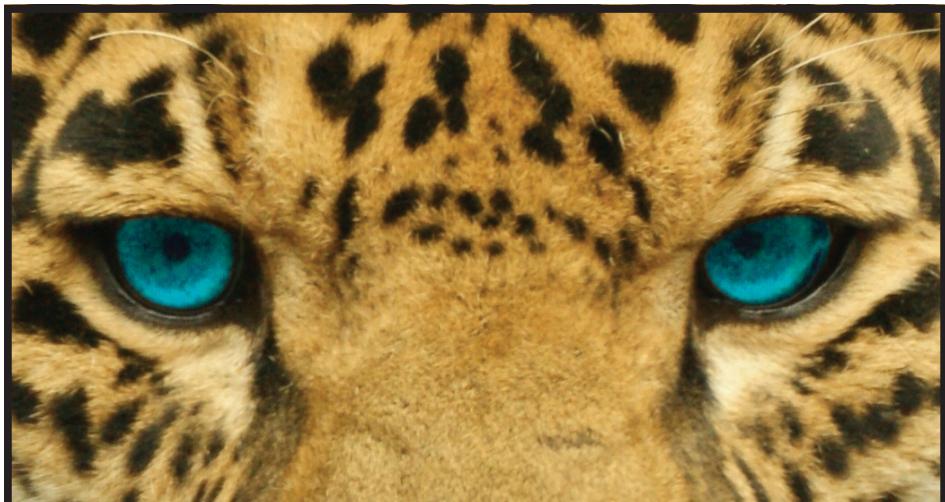
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ing water to desperately poor people in developing countries."

The organization was founded by Haliburton resident Barry Hart and has been sending teams to developing nations such as Guatemala, Costa Rica and Nicaragua.

Wade will never forget his experience and was left in awe of the Haitian people for their spirit, attitude and appreciation of life in the face of tragedy on the 10-day humanitarian trip.

"They were always content with what they have and now that they lost what they have they're still content. For us Canadians, we would be devastated," he said. "You talk to them and they said, yes, we can rebuild. They're strong willed."

The owner of The Pump Shop has worked with the ambassadors before, travelling to Guatemala and a trip to Haiti before the earthquake, bringing his expertise of well drilling and water purification.

This time he came with his son Jesse, who was working with the ambassadors for the first time. The 20-year-old said this was an eye-opener.

"It made me realize that I should respect my family. When we went down there family always came first [for them]

no matter what. Family is pretty much all they have. It made me realize I should be more respectful to my parents. I get away with a lot of stuff and they are fairly flexible with me, but I realize how good I have it."

Prior to this, his only experience overseas was in Europe during a solo-backpacking trip.

Things just don't work like they do at home, Jesse said. The Haitians categorized people as either "round heads," who are laid back and don't adhere to schedules, or "square heads," who are structured and follow schedules.

They both thought being from a small town prepared them for more laid-back schedules, as Haitians are more likely to be late or not show up at all. Going with the flow is one piece of advice they have for anyone unfamiliar with things in Haiti. After they landed in Port-au-Prince they travelled for a few hours from the nation's capital to a small town of a few hundred by open-air trucks called "tap-taps." It's their version of a taxi that makes stops when occupants rap the truck with "tap-taps" on the vehicle. Half of the roads leading in and out of the capital were partially blocked by large craters, filled with concrete leftover from the wrecked buildings that were destroyed during the earthquake.

The smells from the dead and dust, kicked up by the truck were unforgettable and neither could find the words to convey the feeling.

"We probably cut our years back a few, breathing all that in," Wade said.

When they did repair wells, and install solar-powered, chlorine filtration systems there were always challenges.

"The problem when you're down there is that you [don't have any parts]. You [don't have tools] to fix it. Hopefully you have what you need. You got to be a MacGyver," Wade said, referring to the popular 1980s television action hero that produced ingenious mechanical inventions with everyday items.

In one instance they resorted to using a pocketknife to cut through a one-eighth-inch steel rod. It took at least an hour to saw through it.

"It's the little things like that, but it's so disorganized and chaotic. You can't get things you need," he said.

He expects the ambassadors and its co-operative partners such as EDGE Outreach will expand their resource pool so such difficulties will be lessened for future projects.

When they couldn't personally give help they still managed to provide assistance such as the case with an orphanage that had a dry water well. Through discussions they facilitated the cooperation of the neighbouring United Nations to provide water once a day.

With his expertise Wade and Jesse drove around for three days, scouting areas for future water projects.

"The devastation at first was pretty overwhelming, but after a while ... two or three days it was just devastation you didn't think about it the same way," he said.

It wasn't all work as the group spent some time socially, even getting the chance to throw a Frisbee at the beach with children. Wade remembers the children taking a liking to his son, Jesse.

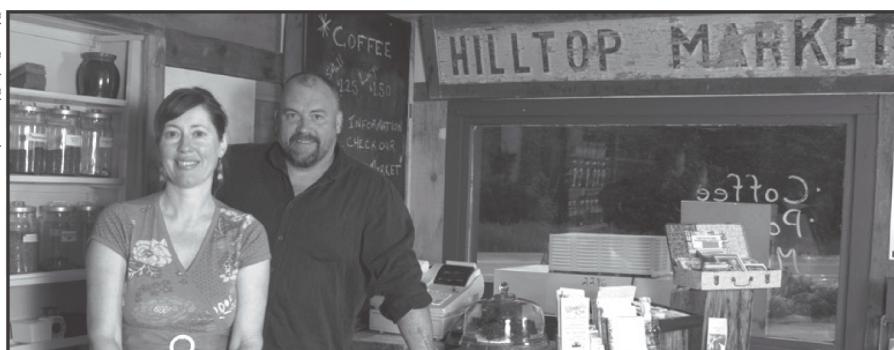
Although Wade had the opportunity to go to Haiti a few weeks after the earthquake, he is glad he didn't.

"We didn't want to see the death and all the chaos with it even though it would have been nice to help," he said. "There was one school there that was totally collapsed. With three storeys with people still buried inside it with people playing all around it, having fun. In Canada that wouldn't happen."

The Woodwards went with friends Allan Gordon, his son, Scotty Gordon and John Beachli.

A return trip is likely and he expects to include it as a definite must for when he retires. However he believes the experience he had should be something everyone should consider.

"I think everybody should do it," Wade said. "You don't know how good you got it."



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Craftchick runs in Ward 4

ANGELICA BLENICH

Staff reporter

The upcoming municipal election has been giving candidate Val Craftchick a lot to think about.

The resident of Eagle Lake has filed to run for councillor of Ward 4 after withdrawing her candidacy for deputy-reeve of Dysart et al. Before her intentions for deputy-reeve surfaced, Craftchick had originally filed to run for councillor of Ward 4.

"After consulting with some other members of the municipal governments of Ontario, I have decided that I would be better able to help my constituents by staying as councillor for the next four years, gaining the needed experience that it takes before going forward as deputy-reeve, which requires a fair greater commitment of time," Craftchick said.

Craftchick's decision to run for politics comes from the desire to represent the municipality she has called home for her entire life. "There are a lot of issues I'm passionate about," said Craftchick. "This

is my community, this is my backyard. For years I've thought about running for council but the timing has never made it possible. So this year when it came available I decided it was time to put my hat into the ring."

Apart from timing there are also certain issues Craftchick would like to see brought forth to the municipality.

"We need to really and truly entice businesses to come up here and set up shop so that we will have industry to employ our local people," said Craftchick. "In terms of our young people there's absolutely nothing for them to do and they can't wait to get out of Haliburton because there's nothing here. They're bored and there's nothing to stimulate them and as a result they get into trouble. We need to generate a better lifestyle for our locals."

"There's recreation that needs to be created for our youth but also for adults and for our seniors."

"We also do need to develop our tourism industry. It's the ATVs and snowmobilers that come here, it's things like that which make this an attractive place to come."



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HOCKEY

Duchene mural joins Stackhouse, Nicholls on arena

CHAD INGRAM

Staff reporter

Matt Duchene was honoured by Dysart et al township on the weekend with the unveiling of a mural at the Haliburton arena.

An image of Duchene, the Haliburton hockey phenom who just finished his first season with the Colorado Avalanche, now stands alongside murals of retired NHLers and West Guilford natives Ron Stackhouse and Bernie Nicholls on the side of the building.

Stackhouse and Nicholls were two of about 100 people who were outside the arena for an unveiling ceremony on the morning of June 19.

"I was really concerned they were going to paint his picture over top of mine," Stackhouse joked.

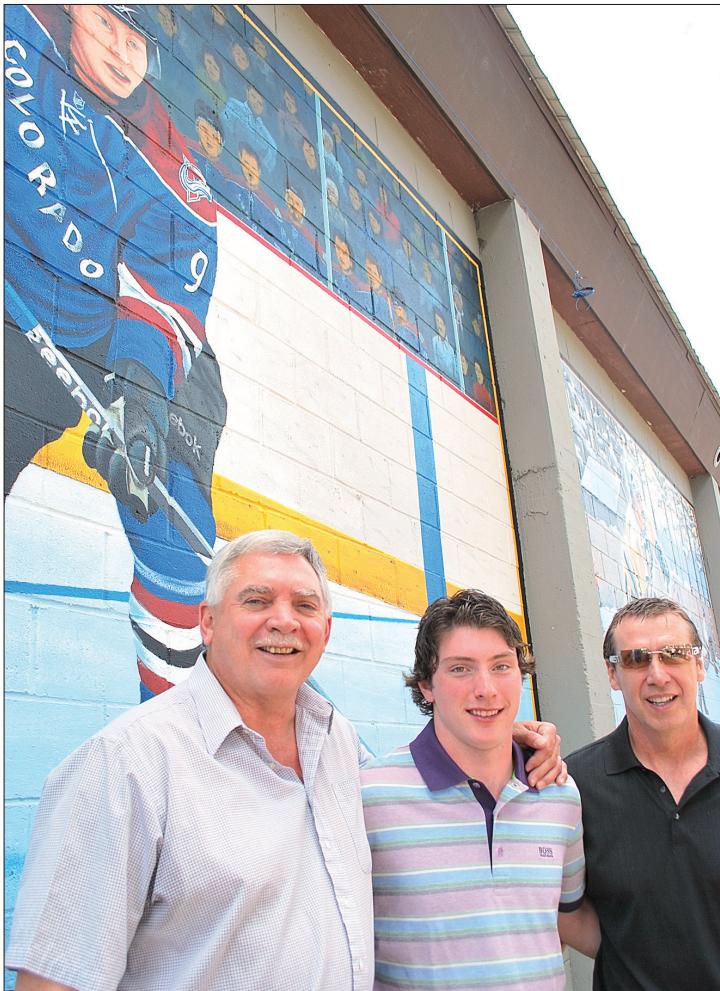
Dysart et al Reeve Murray welcomed the crowd to what he called a "very special occasion," and said that when Stackhouse and Nicholls made it to the NHL, "I thought it must be something in the water in West Guilford."

With the entrance of Duchene into the league, however, Fearrey said he knows that, "it's the family [spirit] and dedication of the community," that has allowed the county to produce such successful hockey players.

"Matt Duchene is the real deal," proclaimed retired NHLer-turned-Haliburton resident Walt McKechnie. "All I can say to you kids is dream big and your mural might be alongside these guys here."

A number of children, some wearing Avalanche gear, were at the ceremony.

Retiring Haliburton Highlands Secondary School principal spoke at length about Duchene, who played two seasons with the school's Red Hawks hockey



Haliburton hockey hero Matt Duchene was joined by retired NHL players and West Guilford natives Ron Stackhouse, left, and Bernie Nicholls on June 19 as Dysart et al township unveiled a mural featuring Duchene. The mural stands next to ones of Stackhouse and Nicholls on the side of the Haliburton arena.

Photo by Chad Ingram.

team and who Brohman said embodied the school's motto of respect, commitment and responsibility.

"Excellence is about going the extra mile," he said. "That's a cliche, but you know what? Cliches are true."

Brohman said that when Duchene was a student at HHSS, any snow day would find him at the arena, practising.

"An ice day just meant no school and more hockey," he said. "The harder I work, the luckier I get."

While Brohman said he would have liked to take more credit for Duchene's rise into the majors, he gave praise there to Duchene's family, Red Hawks coach Ron Yake and Brampton Battalion coach Stan Butler, who was in the crowd.

Once the NHL's top referee and president of the Hockey Hall of Fame, now a county resident, Scotty Morrison also took the microphone.

Duchene is one of three players nominated for the Calder trophy, given each year to the league's top rookie player, and Morrison said Duchene deserved to take home the award.

"I'm really hoping those reporters get it right this time," he said.

The winners of the NHL's various annual awards are chosen by the Professional Hockey Writers' Association.

"We're going to bring that trophy to Haliburton for everybody to see," Morrison said, to a round of applause.

Duchene has gained a reputation for being quiet, humble and down-to-earth, and his speech was true to form.

"It has been a dream and a goal of mine to be up there beside them," Duchene said of the murals of Stackhouse and Nicholls, that have inspired him since childhood. "I can only hope to have as great a career as theirs."

Duchene then thanked his family and the community.

"All the encouragement and support has meant so much to me," he said.

The mural of Duchene was done by artist Allen C. Hilgendorf, who also created the Stackhouse and Nicholls murals.

Saturday also saw Maarten Steinkamp open the Haliburton Hockey Hall of Fame on the ground floor of his McKeecks The Blue Line restaurant.

Also announced was that Sellabration Publishing will be releasing a book on hockey in Haliburton, to be penned by Echo columnist Charlie Teljeur.

The book, tentatively titled *There is Something About This Place*, is to be released in February, with proceeds going towards children's hockey in Haliburton.

Adventure enthusiasts take over Sir Sam's for wilderness race

ANGELICA BLENICH

Staff reporter

A dislocated shoulder, mild hypothermia and utter exhaustion.

These were the results for just some of the competitors participating in the wilderness traverse race held at Sir Sam's on June 5 and 6.

The race was organized by Bob Miller, a multisport racing enthusiast. The idea of organizing a wilderness event in Haliburton both intrigued and appealed to the experienced racer.

"This was a new event for me and for the guys at Sir Sam's as well," said Miller. "It's a 24- to 30-hour adventure race which consists typically of mountain

biking, off-trail trekking and trail running and also paddling of some kind, which could be canoeing, kayaking or white-water rafting. The event runs non-stop, so from the time they start to when they cross the finish line the clock never stops."

Apart from a test of endurance, the race is also an exercise in cooperation, compromise and coordination.

"It's always competed in teams," said Miller. "Usually teams of four but sometimes teams of three, and the teams are co-ed." This year's race saw competitors not only from Ontario but from across North America compete.

"We had 74 participants on 19 different teams," said Miller. "We had a lot of people from Ontario, four teams

from Quebec, some racers from British Columbia and we had a team from Michigan as well."

"It was the first year so I'm pretty sure next year it's going to get even bigger," said Miller. The racers ranged in ages from their early 20s up to and including 50. It also included some local cottagers as well. Although many racers may have been familiar with the landscape of the Highlands, some were not prepared for the unpredictable climate.

"They were quite cold," laughed Miller in regards to those participating in the event. "Some may have suffered from mild hypothermia. The cold rain and weather we got on Sunday morning really took the teams by surprise. They do carry a lot of gear but a lot of teams

we're going too light and fast and they paid the price."

According to Miller this year's race included a website with a link to a GPS tracking page where the teams were tracked live thanks to spot locator beacons they were carrying.

"There were families at home watching their team going through the whole course over the whole weekend," said Miller. "It actually helped us locate some of the teams. We had one guy get injured and actually dislocate his shoulder. He used the help signal and we located him and we were at him within a half an hour. We actually called an ambulance for him as well so we were fortunate to have some of the local resources for that situation."

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■ HHHS RETIREMENT

Students say goodbye to staff at HHHS tribute

DARREN LUM

Staff reporter

The Grade 12 drama class staged As

Time Goes By for a tribute to retiring Haliburton Highlands Secondary School faculty Gary Brohman, Walter Tose, Paul Morissette. They had the capacity crowd standing in applause as they sang

and acted through the decades from the 1940s to the present, using popular musicals, television shows and movies to depict the different era the retirees had experienced. The show was facili-

tated by teacher Elke Zilla and included performances by Guy Pritchard, Ryan Merritt and Hannah Klose.



Second from left, Matt Duchene, a former Haliburton Highlands Secondary School graduate and NHL player with the Colorado Avalanche, made sure to speak to retiring faculty Paul Morissette, left, Gary Brohman, and Walter Tose. /Photos by Darren Lum



Luke Skywalker, played by Luke Watson, is in disbelief, losing his mentor Obi-Wan, played by Graeme Lloyd, who lies dying after being wounded by Darth Vader, left, played by Nicholas Botticella. /Photos by Darren Lum

Rotary club wraps up eye project in India

ANGELICA BLENICH

Staff reporter

More than 1,000 people in India are seeing the world in a new light thanks to the Rotary Club of Haliburton.

The club recently wrapped up a project that helped fund eye operations and surgeries, which were conducted in four clinics throughout Calcutta.

The project began through a matching grant initiative the club undertook in 2007, which saw the organization raise a total of \$20,000 towards supporting the clinics.

Through the initiative the club in Haliburton partnered with the Rotary Club of Belur, located in Calcutta, which helped distribute the funds to the vari-

ous clinics, which in turn facilitated the operations. A total of 1,493 eye operations were conducted with the funds.

"The eye procedures gave them their sight back," said George Kadoke, a member of the Haliburton Rotary Club. "It has a tremendous impact on their life. They are once again able to become active participants in the community, earn a living and just generally live their life."

Kadoke had the privilege of visiting the clinics and witnessing firsthand the work that was being done thanks to the efforts of Rotary.

"The Rotary family is needed out there in the world and this was an example of the international efforts we are a part of," said Kadoke.

Kadoke was responsible for initiating



Patients are given a pre-operation eye examination at the Vidyasagar Eye Cure Centre in Calcutta, India. The eye clinics were supported by funds raised through the Rotary Club of Haliburton. /Submitted Photo

the matching grant process after club member John Beachli returned from a trip to India and asked the organization to send financial assistance to an eye clinic he had come across.

The Haliburton club raised a total of \$2,000 for the initiative through events such as the carnival and car draw.

"We owe it to the community to spend

the money wisely," said Kadoke, "and the eye clinics were an example of that."

According to Kadoke the organization is looking to provide further financial assistance in the future through another matching grant initiative and is hoping to have more clubs on board, such as the Minden club.

COUNCIL

Dysart et al poised to embark on efficient future

DARREN LUM

Staff reporter

The following are briefs taken from the Dysart et al council meeting Monday, on June 14.

May slowest month in years

Dysart et al fire chief Miles Maughan and deputy fire chief Don Stephenson reported May as the slowest month in years with no motor vehicle accidents or downed hydro lines. The department responded to three fire calls.

Waste diversion collaboration

Council has decided to implement a waste recycling strategy. Without a strategy the Blue Box funding from Waste Diversion Ontario was to be "drastically reduced." Council has applied to the Continuous Improvement Fund to be eligible for 75 per cent up to \$15,000 of funds to retain a consultant for the strategy.

Council is striving to collaborate with other municipalities, which will greatly increase the grant funding available.

June 15 staff from all municipalities in the county met to discuss a joint venture. Although Dysart et al is ready to apply for the joint application the other municipalities were not. Another meeting is expected.

Swimmers use own discretion

The health unit is excluding beaches on Haliburton Lake, West Bay, Haliburton Rotary Beach and Silver Lake from their water-sampling program by June. Expect Dysart to post signage to alert the public to the change. Swimmers will have to use their own discretion.

Lighting an energy saver

Dysart can make energy savings now by installing Light Emitting Diode (LED) lights, Scott Phipps, director and CEO of Clean Development Inc. told council.

As part of his study commissioned by the municipality, Phipps outlined some of the best ideas for creating clean energy in the Haliburton area.

His recommendations included solar photovoltaic and solar thermal, which are less 'placement sensitive' than wind or water sources.

Reeve Murray Fearrey said LED lights are part of the plan for Highland Street next year.

Besides the obvious savings and the reduction to environmental damage, the report believes new green technologies can create an energy independent community where jobs will be created and lead to change from a primarily tourism-based economy to a clean energy generating one.

Council hopes to form a committee of council and citizens to decide exactly how to proceed to take advantage of the information provided.

Museum renovations

Council has applied to Fleming College's sustainable renovations program for students to perform renovation work to the Haliburton Highlands Museum.

It is hoped that the building will undergo energy-efficient modifications including insulation and energy-efficient lighting upgrades, including the addition of a lift for accessibility.

Harcourt gets Canada Day

Harcourt will have a Canada Day celebration for the first time on July 1. Council will give the event \$500 as a one-time contribution.

Council has extended a road closure to raise money

through contribution for fireworks like what was offered to West Guilford.

Harcourt expects to have entertainment, a horseshoe tournament, wagon and pony rides, artist exhibits, a car show, children games and food and will conclude with the fireworks show.

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Haliburton County Outdoors

by Steve Galea



FISHING

In praise of bass

The fourth Saturday in June is a welcome day for many anglers in Haliburton County and across the province. It's the bass opener.

Pound for pound, bass (both largemouth and smallmouth) are arguably the hardest fighting fish in our waters. Better still, they are aggressive, prolific and fairly easy to pattern on most days. They can be caught right off the dock or from a boat. And they'll take a swipe at flies, live bait, topwater offerings, crank baits, jigs and anything in between. This means that even the most casual angler probably has something in the tackle box that will interest a bass.

They are a shallow water species, but move to deeper waters as the summer progresses and the water heats up. Even throughout the dog days of summer, however, they'll return to shallows after the sun sets and will hunt there until early morning.

Bass are famous for the way they relate well to structure. That's why it's wise to fish shoals, weed lines, lily pads, logs and boulder-strewn bottoms. Points that drop off into deeper water, mid-lake humps, and narrows between islands are also excellent locations for smallmouths as are current seams beneath dams. Essentially, any place you can find crayfish, frogs, leeches or big schools of

minnows is a good bet. Crayfish, in particular, seem irresistible to smallmouths.

Though it's patently obvious, the trick to catching bass is locating them. Once you do that, it's just a matter of figuring what they're eating. Though they have a well-deserved reputation as a fish that will eat almost anything – I once watched a young water snake slither out of the gullet of a largemouth bass I was unhooking – bass can be surprisingly fussy too.

If that's the case, you need to keep changing lures until you find just the right offering. Often, a simple change of lure colour can make the difference between good and excellent fishing. So too can a change-up in your retrieve and letting a lure linger around good cover is rarely a mistake.

As with all fish species, the big ones are a different matter altogether. They're harder to come by, but you'll never forget hooking into that first five-pound bass. Typically, in these waters, a bass like that has had to survive well into the teenaged years to attain that size. That's no small feat when you consider the numbers of anglers who target bass.

Having said that, bass are still looked upon by some as almost a nuisance species here in the Highlands. Many older anglers see no value in them, preferring



The trick to catching good-sized bass is to find them and then find out what they're eating.
/Photo by Steve Galea

trout every time. They often claim that they are wormy and no good to eat. They can be wormy, at certain times of the year in certain lakes, but cooked properly this is of no actual consequence. Otherwise, fresh bass, fried in a fish crisp, is one of the true delights of summer.

Trout and Haliburton go hand in hand – that's certainly true. But the quality of our bass fishery might just be our best kept secret.

Three great outdoor events

July is a big time for major outdoors events in the Haliburton Highlands.

The Haliburton Sportsmen's Show

The Haliburton Sportsmen's Show will kick off its inaugural year at the arena in Haliburton on July 16 to 18. The show promises a variety of outdoors-related exhibitors, as well as seminar presenters, including Rocky Crawford, Alex Gouthro, Adrian Hare, Daniel Sturges, and Steve Galea. If you are a hunter, angler or outdoors enthusiast, this show is sure to have something of

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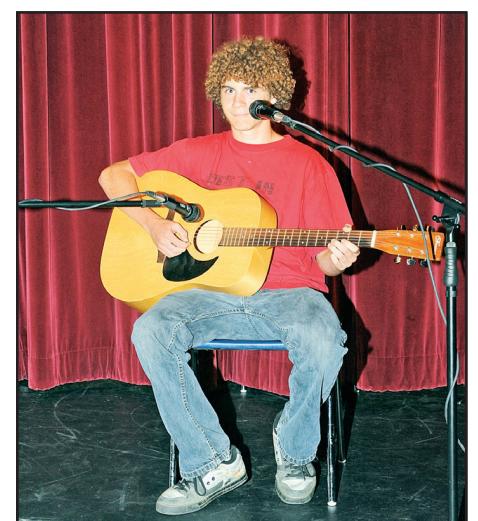
The HHOA/OFAH Conservation Dinner

The HHOA/OFAH Conservation Dinner will also be held July 16 at the Haliburton Legion. Tickets are \$65 each and can be purchased by calling the Hatchery at 705-457-9664. Doors open at 6 and dinner is at 7:30. There

will be a silent and live auction.

Ontario's family fishing week

Ontario's family fishing day has been extended to a family fishing week. It now runs for nine days, including two weekends, from July 3 to July 11. During that time Canadian residents, following conservation license regulations, can fish in Ontario's water (where fishing is permitted) without having to purchase a fishing license. For more information go to: www.familyfishingweekend.com.



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DINING

Locally based franchise to bring bite from Big Apple

JENN WATT

Editor

Cottage country dining isn't just about hamburgers, ribs and chicken wings – or at least it doesn't have to be.

In fact, those living in the heart of the forest also crave a Japanese maki roll or Caribbean jerk chicken, it just isn't often offered in areas dominated by chip trucks and greasy spoon diners.

It's a niche Manhattan Grill Company is taking on head first, starting in Haliburton with the conversion of Applejack's Restaurant into the first in a series of franchise openings of Manhattan Classic Grill, launched by Maarten Steinkamp and his business partners at Vaughan-based Smart Food Concepts.

"Customers have the impression that cottage country is about wings, burgers and ribs. Everybody in the GTA thinks that," Steinkamp said in an interview.

"I know we like great Asian food. We're not afraid of sushi or Caribbean food," he said.

Manhattan Classic Grill (and in Haliburton, Upper Manhattan Lounge on the top floor of the restaurant) will offer just that – a "melting pot" of the world's food, inspired by the world's great multicultural city.

"It's the town coming to the village ... the big city coming to Haliburton," he said.

There are two layers to Steinkamp's new business venture: the local conversion of Applejack's to Manhattan and the Central Ontario launch of Manhattan Grill (and sister restaurants Wings Your Way and Madison Grill) as a franchise.

Along with Smart Food Concepts, who are behind the Applejack's franchise, a list of 100 dishes has been created for franchises to choose from. Each franchise will likely select about 50 recipes, chosen based on the local market and restaurant location.

For example, Steinkamp said, if a franchise sits next to an Italian restaurant, the owner may want to select dishes from other parts of the world to distinguish herself from the competition.

Manhattan Classic Grill is looking to open in Huntsville, Barrie, Orillia, Gravenhurst, Bobcaygeon and Bancroft with Haliburton as the home base, where new ideas are given the first run.

"Haliburton could be the capital of food. We now have the home base of Central Ontario here," Steinkamp said.

The Haliburton location has been slowly transitioning to its new identity.

Donna Whitteker, formerly of the Kosy Korner, has been hired as general manager and Matthew Thompson, formerly of Sir Sam's Inn, is the head chef.

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This is the fourth restaurant in the county Steinkamp has a hand in, for two reasons, he said.

First, economically, having more restaurants pooling resources and buying food as a group has a much bigger pay off than one restaurant alone would have.

Second, he said, he just loves the work.

"I just have a lot of energy," he said.

Potential new projects for Steinkamp include a specialty shop for fine foods in Haliburton and a restaurant on Minden's Highway 35.



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Manhattan Restaurant general manager Donna Whitteker and head chef Matthew Thompson sit on the Upper Manhattan balcony last week. The restaurant is set to rebrand and relaunch in early July. Photo by Jenn Watt.

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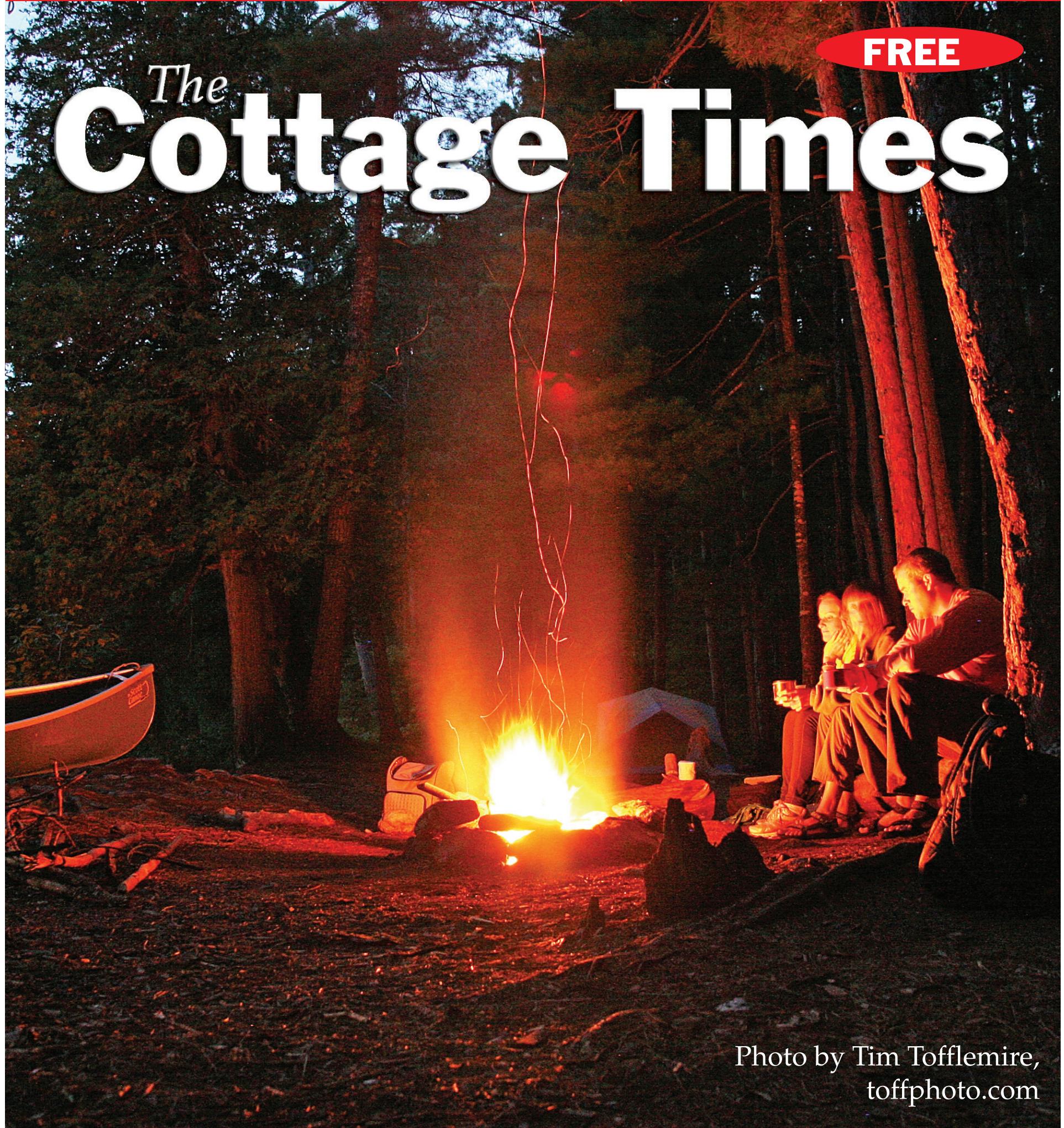


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WHAT'S IN A (LAKE) NAME • BIOMASS • AWKWARD MOMENTS

What's in a name?

by Chad Ingram

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Formed in various shapes and sizes, some are little more than large ponds, while others cover hundreds of acres.

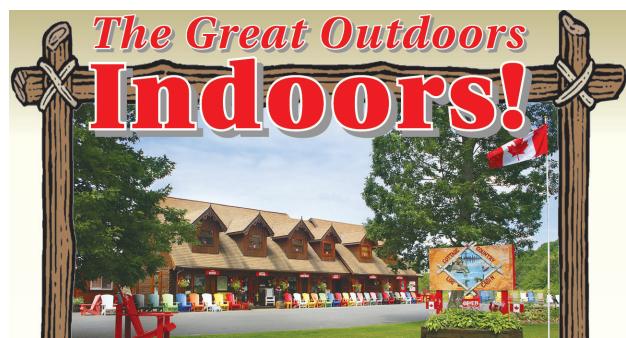
They are a defining part of the area's landscape and one of the main reasons people have been flocking here for generations.

Each of these lakes of course has its own unique name, but where do these names come from?

This summer, the *Cottage Times* will be examining the history of some of the lake names in the county.

In this edition are the histories of some lakes, mostly in the area of what is now Dysart et al township, based on a 1998 paper by Trent University student entitled *Discovering the History of Haliburton Through Its Lake Names*.

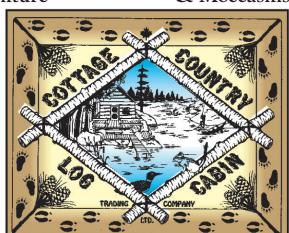
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Drag Lake

Drag Lake takes its name from the county's 19th century logging days, when large timber booms were dragged across the lake by steamboats.

Fourcorner Lake

This lake is geographically named, with the four corners of the former Harburn, Bruton, Harcourt and Dudley townships meeting near its centre.

Jim Beef Lake

Jim Beef Lake was named after a man named Jim Hutchings, who liked thick roast beef on his sandwiches.

Kennisis Lake

This lake was named for a former resident, Chippewa man Joe Kennisis, whose family lived on the lake's shores for five generations.

Lake Kashagawigamog

One of the county's many lakes that takes its title from the area's First Nations history, Kashagawigamog is an Ojibwe word that is roughly translated as "lake of shining waters," or "lake of long and winding waters."

Marsden Lake

It is presumed this lake was named for a man named Moses Marsden, who reportedly drove logs through the Gull River system for the Rathburn Lumber Company between 1885 and 1890.

Redstone Lake

There are two schools of thought on where this lake draws its name. While there is a rumour that the lake took its name from an aboriginal chief, others believe the lake is named for colour of the rocks that surround it.

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Last issue's trivia: Question: What percentage of Southern Ontario's wetlands have been lost? Answer: d.) 70 per cent of Southern Ontario's wetlands have been lost or destroyed, and the remaining wetlands are mostly unhealthy. On the bright side, Haliburton County still has most of their wetlands intact.

Trivia courtesy of Haliburton Highlands Stewardship Council, www.ontariostewardship.org/councils/haliburton/, The Coalition of Haliburton Property Owners Associations, www.cohipoa.ca, and Environment Haliburton, www.environmenthaliburton.ca.



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An Inukshuk talked to me

Seems everywhere I look these days I see an Inukshuk. Big rocks balancing on each other lookin' all human-like, don'tcha know. And even though they don't have any eyes or ears or knee caps, they just seem to stand there trying to tell me something.

What I like most about rocks is they're old. And natural.

Why they been around since before the oceans and lakes made room for 'em. And if you look real close you can see a whole world in 'em. Colours and ridges, lines and textures smooth as silk and strong as forever.

What I specially like about Inukshuks is why folks started making 'em in the first place.

You see, it all started with the Inuit way back before you could stop at a gas station and ask somebody for directions.

Before you could put one of those gizmos in yer car that talks to you and tells you where to turn.

And before you could Twitter folks

and tell 'em what yer doing right now.

Why their big stone bodies were speakin' louder than words. "Someone was here." Or, "Yer on the right path."

Now I don't know about you, but ol'

Maybelle sure is relieved when a big ol' Inukshuk is telling me I'm on the right path. Makes my shoulders go down and my legs stop jumpin.'

I think most folks like Inukshuks, too. It's like something ancient in our DNA is calling long distance saying "hello." We like looking at them and even making them.

Why just yesterday, Beanpole Starkman and

Officer Stanley Penelope McBottom put an Inukshuk in my backyard. And you should see it! It's got this great big boulder for a head, a long flat marble-like slab for arms, and legs like a sumo wrestler, (those 300 pound muscle men from Asia who wear G-string diapers and grunt a lot, don'tcha know).

Well, when Bogart (my bear) saw the Inukshuk standing in my garden he was awestruck. He just kept staring and staring.

Then he moved in real close, like it had something personal to tell him.

Now I don't know what it said to him, but I could hear what Bogart said back because his thought/voice synthesizer tam o'shanter hat was turned on.

He said: "I sure will. Thank you."

Then he turned to me beaming like the sun and said: "Mama Maybelle, it's yer turn."

Well, a big part of me started thinking: If I listen to a big slab of stone sittin' in my daffy dill patch and hear it talking to me, does that mean I'm crazy?

Fortunately, a bigger part of me knew better...because those ancient rocks held some mysteries they whispered in ol' Maybelle's ear. And my heart grew so big I thought it would pop.

Now... it's yer turn.

And remember ...

Behind those rain clouds the sun is always shining. And if you can't see it, then you just shine in its place.

'Til next time, when I tell you my cure for sleep depper-vacation, don'tcha know.

Maybelle's Fireside Stories is written by Jerelyn Craden. You can hear "Fireside Stories" on 100.9 CanoeFM or at Maybelle's blog: firesidestories.com.

Listen to music by the Gull

Every summer for the past 13 years, the Highlands Wind Symphony has organized Music by the Gull. The program continues to be generously sponsored by the Minden Lions Club and the *Minden Times*.

In this, our 14th season, we invite folks of all ages to attend an exciting series of open-air concerts by the river in Minden, every Friday evening starting at 7 p.m., and continuing until dusk. Bring a lawn chair and sit back to enjoy a remarkable range of musical offerings under the open skies by the river near the bridge.

This year the series presents the following groups and performers:

June 25, Highlands Wind Symphony, concert band

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July 16, Gord Kidd and 50/50, rock and country band

July 23, Flexx, rock and popular song band

Aug. 6, The Country Hot Flashes, country group

Aug. 13, Serendipity, folk music group

Aug. 20, Bucket of Shrimp Ears, rock and popular song band

Aug. 27 Gordie Tentrees, rock and country singer

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Beaten by Beethoven

Column by Steve Galea • Photos by Wanda Fachtley

Boy, that Dan Manley has a lot of nerve," I said, after hanging up the phone.

"Really?" said my boss, editor Jenn Watt. "He seems like such a nice man."

"Yeah, right," I whimpered. "I ask a simple question and he insults us both."

"What did you ask him?"

"To describe Beethoven's 5th Symphony."

"You don't know it?"

"No, but that doesn't mean I can't appreciate the concept of a musical St. Bernard."

"Yeah, *Beethoven's Big Break* was an excellent movie!"

"Sure was! Man, that dog could slobber!"

"Anyhow, so how did he insult us?"

"Well, instead of answering the question, he just kept on repeating dum, dum, dum, dummmmm.... dum, dum, dum, dummmmm... He was actually singing it – kind of catchy too."

"A singing insult huh? Great idea."

"Yup, but I got him back. Told him that Beethoven drooled... I sang it too...."

And so it was that Jenn and I found ourselves somehow embroiled in a life or death athletic competition with Dan Manley – who, though he seemed like a cat person, was apparently Beethoven's biggest fan.

"I tell you what," he said, the next day. "Why don't we settle this little dispute with a foot race around Minden? If I win, you'll publicly apologize and take back the drooling comment. Oh, and that crack you made about Beethoven's other movements. If you win..."

"You'll play Beethoven's 5th on a kazoo" Watt interjected.

Manley, a classically trained musician, shivered at the thought.

"What's the matter? Not so Manley now huh?" I sputtered.

"Kazoos don't scare me!" he bristled. "In fact, I'm confident

that Beethoven would even sound good on a kazoo. So confident, in fact, that I'll even allow you to handicap me for this race," he said. "So long as it's reasonable...."

And so it was the Manley found himself carrying a tuba for the duration of the 3.5-kilometre race. Though it might not seem reasonable, it was a far sight better than the piano Watt suggested.

"OK," he smiled, "and just to add insult to injury, I'll dress up as Beethoven too."

On the day of the race, however, instead of dressing up like a St. Bernard, he wore the get-up of some guy named Ludwig. Which was unfortunate, since a big flask of brandy might have come in handy on a race like this.

So there we were at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre starting line with events coordinator Emily Stonehouse officiating.

"I want this to be a clean race....when I say go, you guys will....Hey! Jenn! Steve!"

Jenn and I were off to a good start. But way behind us in the distance Dan was advancing slow and steady. And the way he was trash-talking us with his tuba's "dum, dum, dum, dummmmm.... dum, dum, dum, dummmmm..." was maddening.

Still, Jenn and I made it as far as the Minden Rivercone and agreed that it was time for a break.

"You know, this is one of those hare and tortoise scenarios," she said, as we enjoyed our ice cream cones.

Suddenly, "dum, dum, dum, dummmmm.... dum, dum, dum, dummmmm..." boomed from behind us.

Manley and his tuba were on the closing the gap.

The race continued, throughout the mean streets of Minden. We would pass Manley and, then, in true reporter fashion, procrastinate. But minutes later it'd be there again... dum, dum, dum, dummmmm.... dum, dum, dum, dummmmm..."



Emily Stonehouse yells "Go" as Steve Galea and Jenn Watt race Dan Manley, dressed as Beethoven, and settle a bet.

dum, dummmmm...

And so we'd run some more....

Manley and his tuba were like a relentless marching machine. And, eventually, all that trash talk demoralized us.

How he got ahead of us, I'll never know. One minute, we were napping, the next he was at the park bench ahead of us, trying to impress Emily with his top hat and tales. It seemed to be working too.

"Just as I thought," I muttered, as we approached. "Women can't resist a tuba player."

I made a mental note to get one.

In the end, Manley won the race and got the girl. How? Jenn and I are still not sure.

All I know is that somewhere above our wheezing, we could hear "dum, dum, dum, dummmmm.... dum, dum, dum, dummmmm..." in the distance at the finish line. And when we got there, Manley was smugly expecting an apology.

So, I did just that. "Dan," I said, "I'm sorry that Beethoven drools and left his movements all over the yard."

So what did we learn? Well, just because a guy dresses like a composer doesn't mean he can remain composed. Manley, in fact, stormed off, but not before one last "dum, dum, dum, dummmmm.... dum, dum, dum, dummmmm..."

"Dan," I yelled. "You know this is not over! Mark my words; we'll do this again. That's right



Galea and Watt, thinking they are farther ahead than they are, take a break at Minden's Rivercone.

Beethoven boy! I'll be Bach!"

But Jenn just said that was dum, dum, dum, dummmmm.... dum, dum, dum, dummmmm...

Never mind us. Want to run for a good cause? The Beat Beethoven Run in Minden takes place on July 4 at 9 a.m. at the cultural centre grounds at 176 Bobcaygeon Road. Participants can choose between a 3.5- and 7-kilometre circuit and win prizes for first, second and third place finishes as well as best costumes. Runner compete against each other and Beethoven's 5th Symphony – the idea is to finish the race before the music ends.

For entry fees and more information visit www.mindenculturalcentre.com or call 705-286-2808.

All proceeds from the race will help young musicians attend Highlands Brass Academy's summer intensive and will also help fund educational programs in art, heritage and literacy at the Cultural Centre.



Beethoven, the ladies' man, tries to woo Emily Stonehouse.



2009-2010 annual report to the community





Mission Statement

Haliburton Highlands Health Services, working with partners and accountable to our community, promotes wellness and provides access to essential, high quality health services including: primary care, hospital and long term care, and community programs.

Vision Statement

Working Together
for the Health of the Highlands.

Values

Compassion
Respect
Integrity
Teamwork
Accountability
Excellence
Innovation

Principles

Haliburton Highlands Health Services has an organizational culture of quality practice, safety and learning.

Haliburton Highlands Health Services is a strong advocate of rural healthcare with the Central East Local Health Integration Network and the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long Term Care in planning and providing health services to the community of Haliburton County.

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Haliburton Highlands Health Services President and CEO Paul Rosebush and Board Chair Marg Risk share a commitment to providing the best health-care services possible.

HHHS revises vision statement and updates its values

Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) has proudly been providing Haliburton County with exceptional health care and community services for 14 years. HHHS is an integrated health services provider operating core rural hospital services in Minden and Haliburton, and long term care (LTC) homes in Minden and Haliburton, as well as community based mental health services, diabetes programming, and supportive housing services across our large county.

Over the last three years HHHS has been required to adapt to the creation of a new provincial health care structure, the Central East Local Health Integration Network (CELHIN), which is one of 14 regional LHINs mandated by the province to assume responsibility for planning, managing, integrating and funding health services. The CELHIN, within which HHHS operates, covers a large geographic area from Scarborough in the south west to Campbellford in the south

east to Haliburton in the north. Ten Hospital Corporations operate in this region and HHHS comprises only one per cent of the total LHIN population.

HHHS must operate effectively as a partner within this large healthcare and community services network as well as ensure that it meets the interests of its stakeholders in particular and communities in general. To ensure that it is positioned well to accomplish both tasks HHHS undertook a thorough strategic planning exercise that led to a revised vision statement and updated values, as well as the development of six new relevant priorities to guide its actions over the next three year period.

The strategic planning process unfolded over four months from late November 2009 to late March 2010. Numerous viewpoints from health system partners, community stakeholders, and staff were considered in the development of the new HHHS plan.

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HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS HEALTH SERVICES

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Ferracuti, Carolyn
Plummer, Len Logozar and
Dale Robinson.

Front row: Warren
Arseneau, Jayne Kennedy,
Lisa Kerr, Carol Groves,
Marg Risk and Paul
Rosebush.

Absent: Michelle Baily, Dr.
Terry Hicks, Duff Mitchell
and Dr. Norm Bottum.

Board of directors are an important group

The board of directors is comprised of 13 elected members from the community, and three ex officio members including the president and CEO, the chief of staff and the president of medical staff. The board meets monthly except in the summer months to address health services issues within Haliburton County. The board is accountable to the community, the Central East Local Health Integration Network (CE LHIN), and ultimately to the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care (MOHLTC.) "The board takes seriously its financial accountability and its oversight responsibility for the overall planning and delivery of high quality health services." states board of directors chair, Margaret Risk. "The board works closely with the CEO and his staff to achieve an effective and forward looking organization."

Board members must own property or have significant interests in Haliburton County, and are elected for a three-year term to a maximum of three terms. All board members are volunteers. Following a nomination process, new members are ratified during the annual general meeting in June. The board hires the CEO who is responsible for day-to-day operations.

The board has the responsibility to keep an ear to the ground to find out what is happening in the wider world, and for that reason has a diverse membership which enables it to be well informed on a variety of health care issues. Decisions are based on knowledge, and board members count on various sources for information such as CEO Paul Rosebush. Other key members who contribute vital information are chief of staff Dr. Steve Ferracuti, and the president of medical staff, Dr. Norm Bottum. Additional information comes through the various managers such as Cathy Outram, chief financial officer on financial issues, and Debbie Watson and Melanie Flood, managers of acute care at the Haliburton and Minden sites respectively on relevant clinical issues. "The Ontario Hospital Association and the LHIN are two external resources that keep us up to date on information relating to current priorities and on what's happening in health care generally," says Risk.

"The board does most of its work at the committee level where background information is reviewed and discussed, and recommendations made to the board as appropriate," Risk explains. There are two standing committees, finance and quality. All members of the board of directors are required to sit on one of the committees.

The current board possesses a broad range of perspective and expertise. The finance committee, for example, is comprised of members with strong financial background and a high level of familiarity with short-term and long-term financial issues. The quality committee membership tends to be more varied. This committee has increased in importance in the past few years as the Ministry of Health and long term care escalates demands for high levels of performance from all provincial facilities. The quality committee receives extensive quarterly reports on the quality indicators from the staff.

The executive committee is comprised of the chair and vice chair from the board, the two chairs from the quality and financial committees, a past chair of the board, the chief of staff and the CEO. It is not a decision-making committee except in cases of emergencies when it is not possible to convene the board. The committee is kept aware of business that comes up between board meetings, and it coordinates the board agenda.

An important element of the board is its education. When new members are elected there is a big learning curve and each new member participates in a comprehensive orientation program to learn about the board and how it functions. "We also have an education session before each board meeting," says Risk. "It keeps members aware and up-to-date on the contributions of our partners in the community; such as the Community Care Access Centre, the Emergency Medical Services and the midwifery service. Often someone from the LHIN attends to update us on funding priorities or programs such as ageing in the home."

The board has a duty to stay educated and up-to-date, and to act on information that will benefit the hospital facilities and our community now and in the future. This takes time and strategy. One of the major responsibilities of the board is strategic planning, which is done every three years. As an example of looking ahead, in the previous planning session a former board member raised the environmental advantages of converting the facilities to geothermal energy. While the initial outlay is considerable, the long term savings make the concept not only viable from a financial/ energy saving standpoint, but will also cut down considerably on pollution. CEO Paul Rosebush was able to convince the LHIN of the advantages, and the geothermal conversion plan is presently underway.

Telemedicine solves travel issues

Telemedicine is the name given to the video equipment and the process, by which physicians and patients in one community can instantly consult, via a television link, with a specialist in another community.

Many of our patients are referred to specialists in either Lindsay or Peterborough, so they've had to travel to those locations to receive the appropriate diagnosis and/or treatment. Very often travel is a problem for patients. Telemedicine has gone a long way to solving the travel problem, because very often, with the help of a nurse or physician, a diagnosis and consultation can be done via the telemedicine link to a specialist. Telemedicine has also helped solve other problems that patients and physicians in smaller communities encounter.

"For instance, a patient who's going to have surgery outside the county can meet the nurse, pharmacist, surgeon, anesthetist, and the whole team, via telemedicine technology. It's a huge confidence builder," says Donna Tousaw, registered practical nurse and telemedicine coordinator. The patient can also find out what time to arrive, where to go, and what elevator to take. "It's a one stop shop for patients," says Tousaw, "and at that point we can also find out if something else is required, like an electrocardiogram or an X-ray."

Telemedicine came to Haliburton County in 2005, and Donna Tousaw has been the telemedicine coordinator since day one, when it came to the hospital in Haliburton. She developed the whole program, and has grown with it. "It started slowly, as our physicians and nurses got familiar with the equipment,"



Dave Jarvis, Manager of Mental Health Services uses Telemedicine to talk to patient and nurse in another location

Tousaw states. "Initially it was used with patients who had neurological problems, or Parkinson's. They could consult with their specialists in places like Kingston. The specialist could talk face to face with the patient and the support people here, give direction, and then set up an appointment."

Telemedicine is now available in both hospitals and is used to service residents in both long-term care facilities as well. The Family Health Team, located at the Family Medical Centre in Haliburton, also has the telemedicine technology, and patients with movement disorders caused by arthritis for example, can benefit from the technology.

Recently telemedicine has been able to help treat patients with wounds. "It allows us to bring a patient on a bed

into the room. The wound specialist in Peterborough can see the wound and give directions," says Debbie Watson, manager of patient care and chief nursing officer. "It eliminates a great deal of travel to other locations, it helps to alleviate patient discomfort, and it provides specialized care that a patient would not always have access to here. It's like having the specialist in the hospital."

As the telemedicine technology became more widely used, in more communities, the educational benefits were quickly realized. "Teleconferencing and web casts increased the opportunities for educating staff, clients, physicians and managers and to learn best practice techniques by staying current and updating skills and knowledge," says Watson. "Physicians

can consult with other physicians, multi-site meetings and conferences can be set up, and multidisciplinary consultations can be exchanged between various specialists," she explains.

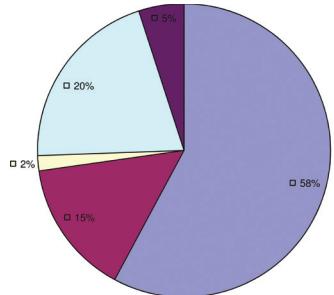
Dave Jarvis is the manager of Mental Health Services, located in the Heritage Plaza in Minden. The 2009-2010 fiscal year saw the delivery of telemedicine equipment to Mental Health Services, and Jarvis uses it for psychiatric consultation and assessment, to make a diagnosis, and for treatment recommendations. "Like many specialists, it is a challenge to attract psychiatrists to physically come to this area. It's a recruitment resource issue," he says. "So by linking with specialists, telemedicine enables all the health care professionals to offer improved access to health care for people in our community."

"There is also a trend towards peer-lead self-help groups like Chronic Pain Management and the Management of Chronic Conditions – living a healthy life with chronic conditions," says Jarvis. Using the equipment will allow them to partner with other people in other centres who share similar conditions."

In addition to psychiatrists, telemedicine has evolved to include a larger scope of specialists like oncologists, cardiologists and geneticists. "In the next two years we expect greater development with telemedicine than in the last five, due to advances in technology and network support," states HHHS telemedicine coordinator Donna Tousaw, "and it's important for patients to know that they can ask their family doctor or specialist, if a telemedicine consultation is an option."

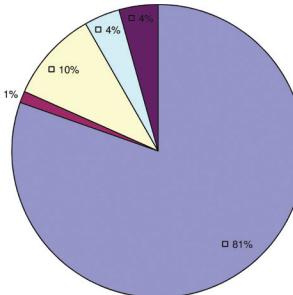
Haliburton Highlands Health Services Corporation

Expenses for the Year Ended March 31, 2010



- Salaries, wages and benefits \$11,807,892
- Medical compensation \$2,902,118
- Drugs and medical supplies \$313,128
- Other supplies \$3,721,237
- Amortization of property, buildings and equipment \$959,352

Sources of Revenue for the Year Ended March 31, 2010



- Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care grants \$15,987,000
- Patient services \$158,152
- Long-term care residents' fees \$1,954,531
- Other revenue \$631,236
- Amortization of deferred contributions \$840,645

H1N1 pandemic response handled very well last year

In the spring of 2009 the World Health Organization recognized the H1N1 Influenza as a global pandemic. Subsequently the Public Health Agency of Canada activated the Canadian Pandemic Influenza Plan, followed by local health agencies responding in kind.

Laraine Shine, HHHS infection control practitioner (covering both Haliburton and Minden sites) states that HHHS was ready. "The lessons learned from the SARS experience meant that Ontario was particularly well prepared," Shine says. "The Ontario Health Pandemic Influenza Plan was released in 2007 by the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care. This plan gave all Ontario hospitals and long-term care facilities guidance on developing their local plans in the case of a pandemic. Subsequently HHHS developed our pandemic plan based on this document, and upon the additional Toolkit for Small, Rural, and Northern Hospitals."

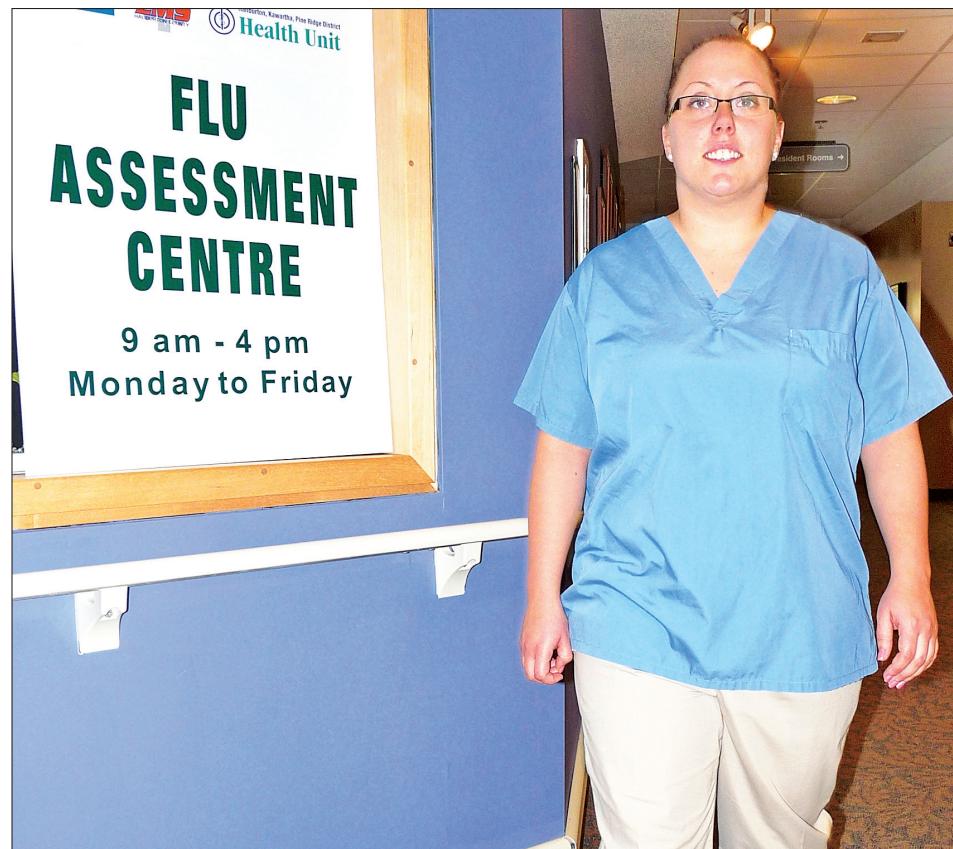
"During the summer of 2009 we held meetings with our community partners in order to coordinate our plans and to prepare for opening a patient assessment centre for our community," says Shine. "Our partners were the Family Medical Centre, Family Health Team, the public health unit, and the Community Care Access Centre." The week of October 13, 2009, saw the expected surge of patients in our emergency departments, and the team moved quickly to open the patient assessment centre at the Family Medical Centre in Haliburton. Patients exhibiting flu-like symptoms were encouraged to go directly to the assessment centre where nurses and physicians were ready to treat them quickly on arrival. Approximately 100 patients were assessed over a two-week period at the centre. Haliburton was one

of the first communities, and one of only three other communities, in our Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) to activate an assessment centre. (Our LHIN stretches from the Ajax, Pickering, Oshawa, area to include Peterborough and Northumberland.) Additionally, HHHS emergency departments triaged some 400 patients in the Haliburton ER, and approximately 500 patients in the Minden ER. Our ER and acute care nurses did an outstanding job during the crisis.

"The H1N1 virus was understood to be transmitted by the airborne route, so a Respiratory Protection Program was initiated, and all health-care workers, including environmental services, maintenance and dietary staff, as well as front-line nursing staff, were offered individual respirator fit testing with an N95 respirator mask. This included training on when to use the N95, and how to apply and remove the respirator properly. As well, HHHS assisted with respirator fit testing of Family Medical Clinic staff, including nurses and physicians."

HHHS also provided staff with other necessary personal protective equipment. A full four-week stock supply of N95 masks, gowns, gloves and eye protection was purchased in advance and kept on hand for this occurrence. This entire program represented a significant cost which HHHS incurred for the health and safety of its employees. So even though the H1N1 virus proved to be not particularly virulent, we were prepared for the worst case scenario.

Additionally, HHHS instituted a comprehensive "hand hygiene" policy, ensuring that staff has access to hand cleaning stations and frequently clean their hands throughout the working hours. Fortunately, due to our



RPN Meghan Shaw

preventative measures, and excellent care provided by the staff at Highland Wood and Hyland Crest, there were no reported cases of the H1N1 Influenza in our long-term care facilities.

Another vital step in dealing with the pandemic was to protect our staff from contracting the flu by providing the H1N1 vaccine for all health-care workers. It should be noted that during a pandemic one can expect up to 30 per cent of hospital staff to fall ill. In order to protect health-care workers and maintain optimal staffing levels, vaccination clinics were conducted at each site as soon as the vaccine became available. Furthermore, health

care workers were encouraged to stay home if they were sick, and although we experienced significant staff illness, HHHS was always able to provide full staffing to all departments.

"Medical professionals in Haliburton County worked very well together, and due to our level of preparedness, created a model of a successful pandemic response. We feel confident going forward," says Laraine Shine. "In the new year, we had a review of the roll out of our pandemic plan. We identified areas of strength, as well as the areas where we could be even better."

"One of our focuses is on making HHHS a healthier and happier place to work..."

Peter Fearrey, Manager of Environmental Services

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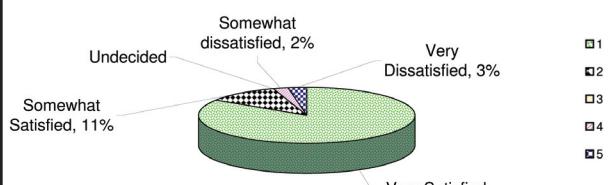
Triage nurse Mary Hamilton takes Fred Meherrie's temperature.



Minden ER Patient Survey Results

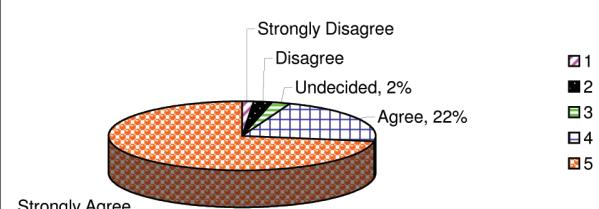
How satisfied were you with the time you waited to be seen by an ER physician?

1.. Very Satisfied, 2. Somewhat satisfied, 3. Undecided, 4. Somewhat Dissatisfied, 5. Very Dissatisfied



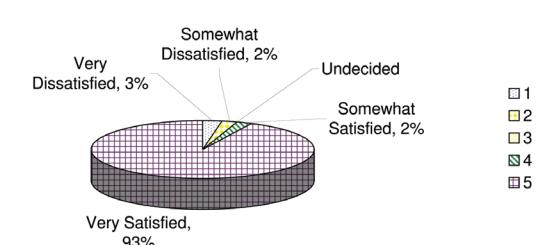
The doctor was friendly and courteous.

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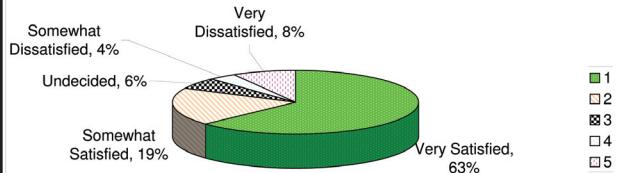
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Haliburton ER Patient Survey Results

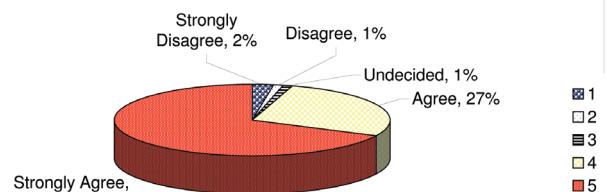
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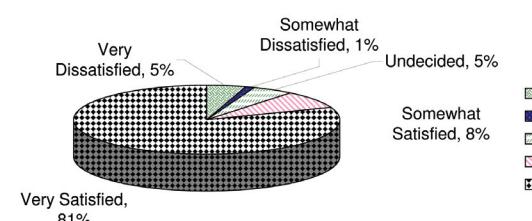
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New assessment scores to be linked to funding

Hyland Crest in Minden and Highland Wood in Haliburton, both have excellent reputations as first-class long-term care facilities and homes for our elders. Maintaining that reputation and improving on it is always a goal of HHHS. Our homes have continued to meet all the traditional standards set by the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care that is assessed annually and through an accreditation process, held every three years.

Now there is a new set of standards called MDS RAI (Minimum Data Set Resident Assessment Instrument), which has been developed by the Ministry. "It's a new assessment process for residents, guiding how we assess them and it determines the type of care they require," states Jenni Sisson, the resident services/supportive housing coordinator for HHHS. "Every nursing home in the province now uses this same assessment tool. It provides enhanced management of our resident's needs, and the opportunity to benchmark against all the other long term care homes."

All the information gathered from the new assessment is rolled up to the Canadian Institute of Health Information, which can then provide a variety of statistical measures to each long-term care facility. The MDS RAI assessment process was implemented at HHHS in July of 2009, and each home was given a year to fully implement the program.

"In June of this year we'll be one hundred percent MDS RAI implemented" says Sisson, "and we will be able to see our results as compared to other facilities."

HHHS was provided with funds from the Ministry to hire two part-time coordinators to implement the program; Angela Brannigan at Highland Wood and Elishya Mischio at Hyland Crest. "Their job is to learn the new assessment tool, and to teach it to the interdisciplinary team, which includes nurses, the activities staff, dieticians, the physiotherapy staff and physicians," explains Sisson.

As with any new program there are birthing pains. The MDS assessment time lines are a lot tighter than the old plan. There are more areas to



Highland Wood long-term care activity aid Connie Robinson and Physiotherapist Rafyullah Burhani help residents with their workout

be assessed, but there's also some duplication, so some streamlining was called for. "We looked at the data elements within the MDS RIA assessment tool and identified and eliminated any duplication with the old system. The Ministry was in agreement with this process," according to Sisson. "The whole team has been incredibly flexible and supportive in making these adjustments, and incorporating the changes into their regular routine," she says.

The MDS RAI program is very important because future funding for our long term care facilities will be based on the assessment scores assigned to every resident.

While the adjustments have been going on, residents in both facilities continue to get the high level of care that they've become used to. An activities plan insures that there is a variety of programs in place to meet their emotional, physical, spiritual, social and mental needs.

Physically residents can participate in such group activities as a bean bag toss, the ball challenge, where people in wheelchairs get to kick a ball around, weight exercises, walking, table top

bowling and shuffleboard.

There are many ongoing social activities designed to keep residents active. "We have outside summer barbecues, and summer outings for things like ice cream, visits to the fish hatchery, spring teas, and legion lunches," says interim programs manager Dana McMahon. "In the winter there are things like participation in the Santa Claus parade in Minden, and a tour of Christmas lights."

One of the most appreciated events is the one-on-one visits by volunteers. "People who ask to volunteer are encouraged to visit with our residents, and it's a rewarding experience for both parties," McMahon says. Then there are monthly events like birthday parties, more tea parties, happy hour afternoons, and pub nights which include live entertainment such as Gord Kidd and Jeff Barry. There's craft and baking programs and many more things to keep residents socially active.

Spiritually, each Tuesday, residents can attend services from different denominations on a rotating basis and on the weekends there is hymn singing, which volunteers organize.

Intellectual stimulation is an

important consideration and there is bingo, chess and cards from which to choose. Residents in both Hyland Crest and Highland Wood also have the opportunity to have their voices heard in a residents' forum, which is attended by a staff person who takes the minutes. The forum gives the residents a way to voice their concerns and to make decisions about what's going on in the facilities. There's a "news and views" get-together too, where people discuss what they've discovered through watching TV and other media and where they can talk about happenings in the community. Most residents prefer to have a TV in their rooms and there are plenty of books to read. Some residents enjoy using the Wii video game system as well as their own computers in some cases.

Emotionally, residents are encouraged to make positive memory associations by exposure to things like ice cream, children and pets. Kids come in from the schools to interact with the residents.

"The kids trigger fond memories," says McMahon, and bring smiles to their faces. Pets, mainly dogs, also trigger positive responses, and one lady comes in to Minden every other Saturday, and brings along her therapeutic pet dog.

In the Minden and Haliburton facilities there is something called the Snoezelen Room, which is a sensory space used to calm residents who are either cognitively impaired or who undergo occasional duress. The room, which is geared to stimulate all the senses, contains such wonders as lava lamps, bubbling water columns, nature sounds and aromatic massage oils. It's a truly tranquil environment.

There are also special events such as the big yearly formal dinner in both facilities, where each resident is encouraged to invite a guest. At Hyland Crest there's an event called "Evening in Paris" which takes place in February. At Highland Wood their special evening has an autumnal theme.

With the combination of the activities program and the new MDS RAI assessment tool, a healthy and rewarding lifestyle is continuing to be delivered to residents of both long-term care facilities.



Buy a ticket at the Minden Hospital's gift shop for a chance to win this quilt.

Minden Health Care Auxiliary

Ten years ago, the Minden Health Care Auxiliary was founded by six visionary women. Since then the very dedicated team of approximately 70 volunteers, has put in endless hours in fundraising efforts, in order to enhance services within the Minden hospital.

Annual fundraising activities include the bowlathon, tag days, the curling bonspiel, and the gift shop bake sale. The gift shop itself offers a variety of handmade Afghans, baby clothes, a book exchange, as well as very reasonably priced gift items.

"Our gift shop volunteers are sincerely appreciated by many of the residents and visitors to Hyland Crest," says Chris Wilde, Minden Health Care Auxiliary president. "They always wear a friendly smile and through their efforts the shop raises significant funds throughout the year. We are lucky to have volunteers who enjoy working in the shop and who are willing to help visitors find that unique gift, like the hostess gift packages, which are very popular. Some of the volunteers, as well as HHHS staff, have become our most valued customers."

Another important fundraiser is the Auxiliary Gala which includes a great dinner and auction. It takes place this year on November 13 at the S.G. Nesbitt Community Centre in Minden. At the gala there will be a special draw for an absolutely stunning quilt, which was made over a two-year period and donated by the Haliburton Highlands Quilting Guild. Tickets for the quilt draw can be obtained at the gift shop, from auxiliary members and at various events like the Canada Day celebrations, where the auxiliary has a booth. Single tickets for the quilt are \$2, or 3/ for \$5.

In previous years, money raised by

the auxiliary volunteer team have gone towards the purchasing of much needed pieces of equipment for the emergency department, long-term care facility, the physiotherapy department and the palliative care team of volunteers.

"Nearly \$200,000 has been raised since the auxiliary was formed," says Wilde. "These are amazing results, and we thank the many big-hearted individuals who are dedicated to improving the lifestyle of our seniors and the healthcare of the community."

In the last fiscal year the Minden Health Care Auxiliary raised approximately \$26,000 and was able to support the development of the in-house lab facilities at the hospital by purchasing a Complete Blood Count (CBC) analysis machine which cost \$20,000.

"The CBC equipment means a saving in time for everyone who needs blood work, but is critical for emergency patients especially," states Wilde.

Other items purchased in 2009/10 include two Aquarius bathing system tubs, a baby change table for the ER hospital washroom, and 61 bed comforters for Hyland Crest residents.

"It's our hope that the auxiliary continues to be able to give, knowing how it affects the quality of care for the residents and patients in the community and we're looking at what other pieces of equipment is a priority for the coming year," says Chris Wilde.

Anyone residing in the Minden area can become a volunteer member of this dedicated group by contacting an auxiliary member or by inquiring at the gift shop in the hospital. Share your skills and enthusiasm with the Minden Health Care Auxiliary – you'll be glad you did.



Lil Haight, left, Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary volunteer of the year and president Judy Skinner.

The Haliburton Auxiliary

The role of the auxiliaries is to provide services and supplies to the hospitals which are not provided for in the HHHS annual operating budget. The funds to purchase these services and supplies are mainly provided through auxiliary fundraising events, organized by the members of the auxiliaries, who are all volunteers.

The Haliburton Health Care Auxiliary meets once a month in the Ruth Parkes room at the hospital, to organize special events and fundraisers, which occur year round. These events include the "no bake" bake sale, the geranium sale, the annual tag day in July, the Christmas ornament event, the ever popular taste of Italy dinner and silent auction, the wine tasting event, and the quilt raffle. The gift store in the hospital, which is run by auxiliary volunteers, is also a great provider of funds.

"We provide other services too," says Judy Skinner, President of the Haliburton Health Care Auxiliary. "We provide the gift cart that's taken around regularly to Highland Wood, and each Christmas we provide gifts to each resident. But we provide more than just the cart. We bring along friendship, a warm smile and conversation."

For fiscal year 2009/2010 which ends March 31, the Auxiliary purchased \$40,000.00 of equipment for the Emergency Room, Lab, Physio, Acute Care and Long Term Care. The funds purchased items such as a "CBC" Complete Blood Count analysis machine, a portable ventilator, a glidescope which contains a tiny camera used for checking throats and airways, and two

physiotherapy tables.

"The wish list for this year includes computerized infusion devices for the emergency department, a portable training manikin, a computerized pediatric scale, alternating pressure mattresses for acute palliative care use, an ultrasound machine for the physiotherapy department and a special needs mattress for Highland Wood. "We've also been asked to consider purchasing replacement TV's for acute care, and a new bath chair which is fitted for use with the new ceiling lifts," Skinner says.

In 2011 the auxiliary will be celebrating its 40th anniversary. "We're hopeful it will coincide with the one million dollar milestone," states Skinner. The million dollar figure represents the total raised by the auxiliary since it was started in 1971. "The first donation was a hair dryer," Skinner reveals.

"Everything we purchase for the hospital helps to provide health services locally, so that people don't have to travel outside our community," she says.

"Without the auxiliary, we would not have some of the tools our doctors need," states HHHS President /CEO Paul Rosebush. "New doctors will not come to a community where the tools are not there to do their jobs. The auxiliary therefore, plays a very important part in the recruitment of Health Care Professionals."

Tickets to all Haliburton Health Care Auxiliary events can be obtained at the gift shop. If you'd like to find out more, donate to the auxiliary, or volunteer, call Judy Skinner at (705) 754-2053.

Foundation raised \$456,000 in 2009

The Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF) is an indispensable community partner that provides our hospitals and health care facilities with a significant portion of the funding it requires for major medical equipment and technology. Through its diligent and passionate work the Foundation helps to maintain the high quality health services that residents, cottagers and visitors have come to expect from HHHS.

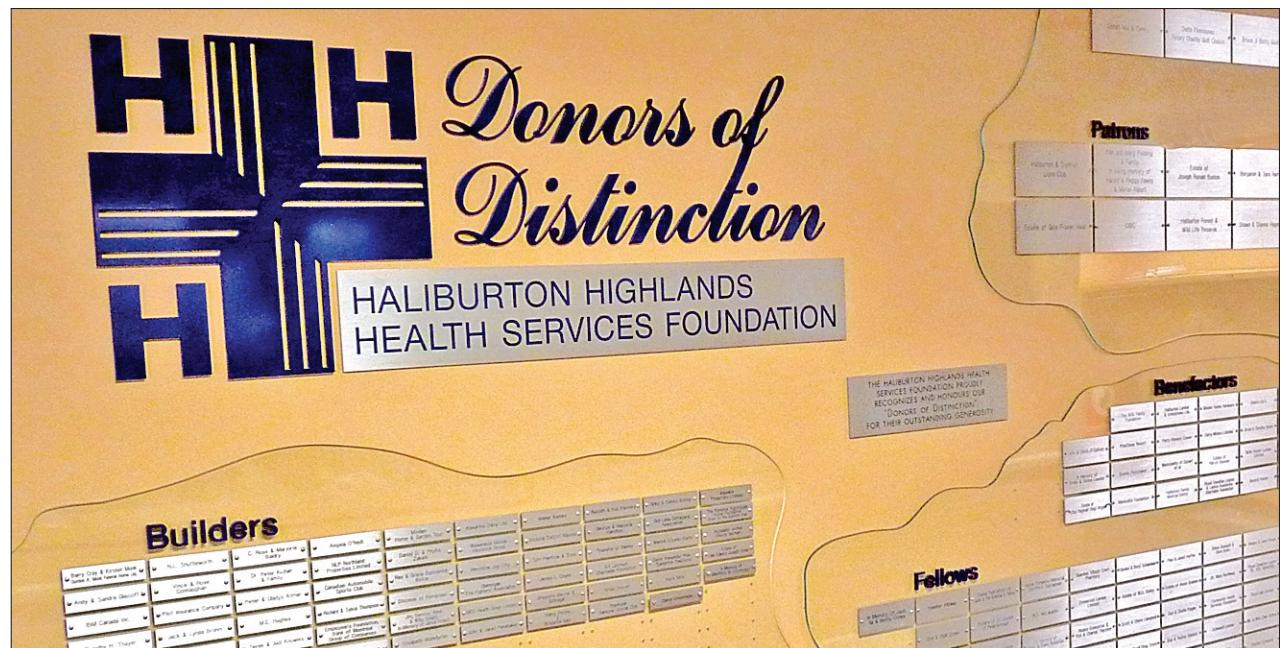
Last year the HHHS Foundation managed to raise an incredible \$456,000, which is over \$40,000 more than the previous year's staggering sum. Approximately \$100,000 of the total was raised through annual fundraising events such as the Todd's Independent Bonspiel, the Rotary Charity Golf Classic, the Haliburton Highlands Health Radiothon, and the Gala Dinner and Dance event.

"The two big ones are the Golf Classic and the Radiothon," states Dale Walker, the Foundation's executive director. The Radiothon pledge drive is hosted by Moose 93.5 FM and Canoe 100.9 FM. The stations start promoting the two day event a week in advance and then during the Radiothon, live feeds to the stations are set up on both main streets.

"We simply wouldn't be able to successfully stage this event without the stations enthusiastically plugging away for two days straight, from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.," Walker says. "There's about 30 volunteers answering the phones and taking pledges. They rally under the guidance of our three year veteran and main volunteer, Brian Daoust. The Radiothon is his baby and he loves it as one can see when Brian is out on the main streets during the event meeting and greeting people."

In addition to the street broadcasts there are also interviews at the stations, where pledges are read out, and where different viewpoints from volunteers, HHHS staff and patients are featured.

"We get great stories and notes from our supporters and patients," Walker states, "and we're so very fortunate in the way the community embraces and supports our hospitals." This year's Radiothon will



The Haliburton Hospital wall is home to the Donors of Distinction. A list of all those people and organizations that have given to the Foundation.

be taking place on Thursday, August 12 and Friday, August 13. Tune into your radios or computers for regular updates.

The Golf Classic now in its 12th year is hosted by the Rotary Club of Haliburton and takes place at the Pinestone. "It's huge, involving about 200 golfers and volunteers," enthuses Peter Oyler, chair of the HHHSF board of directors. "It's always sold out and it's the premier event of the Haliburton Highland's golfing season. Scotty Morrison, former NHL referee in chief, is the honorary chairman and though he doesn't golf, he goes around and chats with everyone on the course. He's a great supporter."

Other hockey people over the years have attended the Golf Classic, including staff from the Hockey Hall of Fame, Ron McLean, Jim Gregory, Ray Scampinello and Mike Ricci, among others.

"It's just a great day all around," says Oyler. "It attracts amazing corporate sponsors, it raises a lot of funds for the Foundation, and there are great prizes to be won." There are contest prizes for the winners of the longest drive and for the ball closest to the pin. New this year is the \$1,000,000 shootout.

"After the day of golf is over, three or four lucky golfers will go to the fairway on the 18th hole and take their chance of getting a hole-in-one from 165 yards out. If anyone gets it in, he or she gets the \$1,000,000," Oyler explains.

In the evening, to round out the event, donated items are auctioned off, during and after dinner. The Golf Classic will be taking place this year on Thursday, July 22.

An event the magnitude of the Golf Classic depends on the tireless support of many volunteers. Three dedicated veteran supporters are Klara Oyler, and Jack and Pat Woodcroft.

"The Woodcrofts come in the morning for the Golf Classic and stay all day, from 7 a.m. to 6 at night," Dale Walker says. "They monitor the holes-in-ones, rain or shine. Klara has worked the Golf Classic for 10 years. She volunteers at events on a regular basis in addition to her office duties, and whatever else we throw at her. A new volunteer is Lynn Childs. She comes in on a regular basis and volunteers for the Golf Classic as well as the Radiothon."

In addition to the funds raised through the four main events, another \$130,000 was raised through the three annual fundraising appeal programs. A patient letter is



The second largest fundraiser is the Haliburton Highlands Health Radiothon hosted by Moose 93.5 FM and Canoe 100.9 FM.

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The largest fundraiser is the Rotary Charity Golf Classic hosted by the Rotary Club of Haliburton and held at the Pinestone Resort.



Ask, and people will give

mailed twice a year, in the spring and fall, to HHHS patients and a news letter is sent out in June to the donors and general public. For the annual Christmas Campaign, another letter of appeal goes out in mid November, to friends, donors, supporters and the public.

"Appeal programs are often supported by local businesses that provide in-kind contributions which cover some of the cost of the mail-outs, such as printing." Peter Oyler explains.

The Foundation sometimes gets unexpected support in the form of memorial donations. This occurs when a family, who has had a member pass away, designates the Foundation as the charity of choice, and family, loved ones and friends donate in memory of the deceased.

A new "Special Gifts" program was launched and is capably chaired by board member Hugh Nichol. The most common form of "special gifts" comes from bequests made in a will. This can easily be done by a visit to a legal professional to consider your options and ensure your will is properly drawn and your wishes are clearly implemented. Other "special gifts" may come in the form of donations of shares, stocks or securities. Its an appealing way to give as the government has

established generous tax advantages for such donations.

The Foundation is well aware that their support is broad-based and Dale Walker, on behalf of the HHHSF, wants to thank all the organizations for their support over the years. "We'd like to thank the service clubs; including the Lions, Kinsmen, Rotary, Fraternal organizations and groups like cottage and lake associations. Many organizations support us through their own events and pick us as their charity. They look at our facilities as the heart of the community and think of us first."

"We'd also like to thank the members of the Foundation board who give generously of their time and energy," adds Foundation chair Oyler. "We also work very closely with (President and CEO) Paul Rosebush, and the hospitals, to help fund the priorities that are needed. Last year those priorities included raising enough funds to cover the purchase of 70 ceiling lifts, which cost a total of \$361,000. As we move forward, the Foundation will continue to raise funds for the necessary equipment and technological priorities, in order to provide our communities with continuing quality health care, provided by the physicians and staff."

2009/2010 Financial Highlights

REVENUE

Donations:	\$354,565
Fundraising:	\$100,789
Investment Income:	\$680
TOTAL REVENUE	\$456,034

EXPENSES

Salaries and wages:	\$108,026
Fundraising:	\$43,065
Communications:	\$38,500
Office and admin:	\$19,815
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$209,406

Transfers to HHHS Corporation:

\$242,617

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Emergency Departments 2009/2010

Minden		Haliburton	
CTAS Level	ER visits	CTAS Level	ER visits
Level 1: Resuscitation	17	Level 1: Resuscitation	16
Level 2: Emergent	205	Level 2: Emergent	244
Level 3: Urgent	2,580	Level 3: Urgent	3,063
Level 4: Semi Urgent	10,613	Level 4: Semi Urgent	8,236
Level 5: Non-urgent	1,171	Level 5: Non-urgent	1,245
TOTAL	14,586	TOTAL	12,813
Total Combined: 27,399			

Acute Care

2009/2010	
Number of in-patients	447
Length of stay (LOS)	4,521 days
Average LOS per patient	10 days

Haliburton Highlands Mental Health Services

2009/2010	
Service Recipients	590
Total Hours of Care	5,365

Radiology

Minden		Haliburton	
Total Patients	Exams	Total Patients	Exams
3,750	4,904	4,697	6,573
Total Combined Patients 8,447		Total Combined Exams 11,477	

Diabetes Education Network (DEN)

Active Caseload	#1-1 Sessions	Clients weighing-in for Health Program	Workshop Participants
430	1,290	254	356

Ornge Critical Transfer 2009/10

	Minden	Haliburton
Fixed Wing Airplane	0	3
Helicopter	28	42
Land (Ornge)	8	15

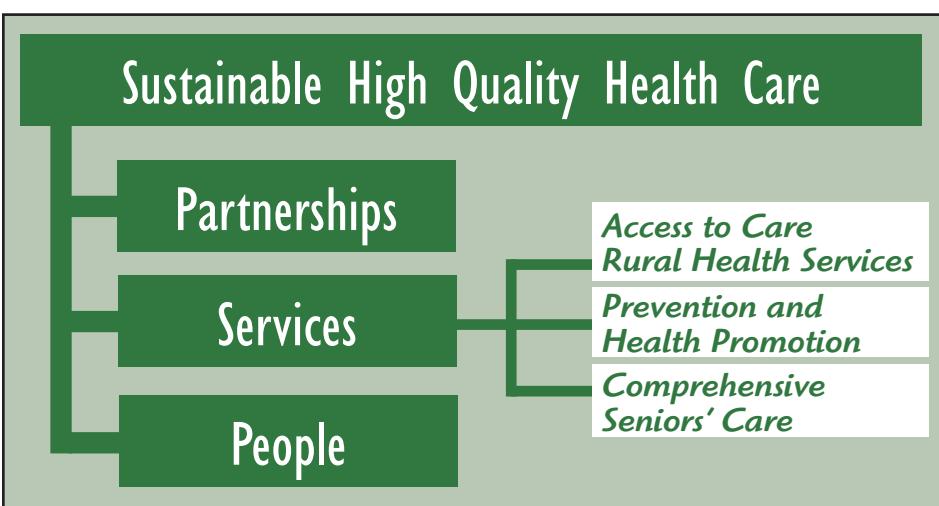
Physiotherapy

In-Patient		Out-Patient	
Sessions	Workload	Sessions	Workload
1,937	1,131 hours	3,223	1,982 hours

Supportive Housing

2009/2010	Minden	Wilberforce	Haliburton
Service Recipients	11	9	20
Total Hours of Care	6,648	6,785	4,821

The HHHS Strategy 2010-2013



Bio-mass: A future for forestry in the county?

by Andy Campbell, Haliburton County Development Corporation

Since 1986, Haliburton County Development Corporation has been involved in several strategic plans that identify the local forest industry as a priority for development. Specifically, it was felt that valued added forestry products, not raw materials, should leave our county. If our manufacturers could process the raw materials (logs) into lumber and add extra value such as planing, drying, cutting to size, etc. we would not only have a significant impact on employment but also better utilize a local resource.

However, over the previous number of years, rising energy costs, the increasing value of the Canadian dollar, decreasing exports and domestic lumber markets are all combining to hurt the Canadian forestry industry. The Ministry of Natural Resources has surveyed the forestry industry in Southern Ontario and there is great pessimism among the mill operators. Several respondents to the survey predict that several mills in southern and eastern Ontario will close. Since 2003 the forest industry has lost 20,000 jobs throughout Ontario.

With all of these variables the forestry industry is going to have to change. While there will always be a demand for high quality hardwoods and sawlogs it is now imperative to utilize the low quality material that is currently left in the forest. Fortunately bio industries are developing which may save the forestry industry in Haliburton County.

Bio energy

Alternatives to the traditional uses of wood as lumber and paper, including value added non timber forest (NTFP) and bio-mass products, are being developed. Non Timber forest products include health care, garden and decorative products. Bio-mass products include bio-fuels, chemicals and bio-materials.

What is Bio-mass?

Bio-mass from the forest includes residuals left from logging, sawmill residuals, plantation thinnings, willow and fast growing hardwoods, defective and diseased logs. The time will come when these residuals and crops will be used in the bio-industry sector.

Why now?

Haliburton County is on the very edge

of the Greater Toronto Area where a doubling of population is predicted in the next half century. This growth will put pressure on our natural resources, potentially creating resource degradation and growing pollution in our county. Now is the time for us to start planning for the changes that inevitably face Haliburton County. We can make more effective and efficient use of our forests by planning and discussing opportunities in the bio-fuel and bio-products industry.

Timetable

The technology is available and Europe is years ahead of North America in using combustion, co-generation and gasification to produce electricity and heat. In North America much research is underway and new technologies will be introduced in the next three years. Technologies and processes will be developed to create bio-liquids to produce energy and heat. In three to five years the technology will be completed that allows the production of ethanol and green diesel fuel from gasification of biomass. In 10 years bio-mass will be used in polymers and chemicals.

Summary

The biomass industry will revitalize the forestry industry in North America as the technologies will result in bio-products created for the health, transportation, energy and manufacturing industries. As the forestry industry utilizes this biomass more jobs will be created, alternative energy will be created, global warming will be reduced and a sustainable forestry industry developed. We must, of course, develop this industry while also planning for the needs of future generations and other sentient beings with whom we share our wonderful Haliburton County.

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Rick Nash: maker of authentic birch bark canoes

Entering the workshop is like stepping back in time. It's an old log cabin with chinking between the logs. The wind still manages to find the odd gap between the chinks, but the draft is quickly neutralized by the heat emanating from the old wood stove. The light is dim, seeping in through small, sawdusted windows, and the motes drift lazily in the beams of weak light. There's a small table and a couple of chairs, and a heating element, on which water boils merrily. Wood chips abound, and there are axes and strange woodworking tools lying around haphazardly. The walls are covered with various old photos and posters, and the overall effect is of a very well-dressed Hollywood Western set. It's the workshop of Rick Nash, and he looks as though he might have come from central casting himself, so comfortably does he occupy his space.

Nash is a master woodworker, and he makes impeccably crafted, full-scale birch bark canoes and scale models, by hand. That in itself is pretty remarkable, but what makes Nash's work so exceptional is that all his canoes and hand-hewed paddles are made to the ancient specifications of North American native craftsmen, representing nations such as Cree, Algonquin and Ojibwa.

Nash, in a former incarnation, specialized in fashion photography in New York City. One day he was approached by a friend who was making a video documentary on bark canoes. The friend wanted Nash to do the photography for the project. "I just got taken by the whole concept of the way these canoes were built," Nash says. "The wood is so raw – it's still growing, and from there I got involved with the native history. It just

grew and grew."

Nash, originally from Massachusetts, who can trace his ancestry back to the first few waves of white settlers, made numerous research trips to Canada. He eventually came across a book called *Bark Canoes and Skin boats of North America*, and it proved to be his Bible. "It tells and shows all the different construction techniques from all the woodland tribes," he says. With the book adding fuel to his inspiration fire, Nash sought out all museums pertinent to his passion. His research led to his searching for the fabled Heye collection of canoes and skin boats.

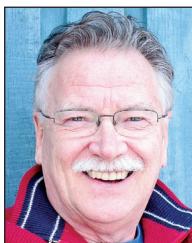
One of his research trips in 1976 led Nash to the Kanawa Canoe Museum, which was located on the property of Camp Kandalore in Haliburton County. "What I discovered there just blew my mind," he recalls. "I discovered that this

was the Heye collection I'd been looking for in the state of New York. The curator offered me a job, and for me it was like being paid to go to university."

In 1997 Nash moved to Haliburton permanently, with his wife and two kids, and he started "maintaining and documenting the boats in the museum." He also improved his own canoe-making skills. Nash has made "maybe a total of 80" canoes to date. "I kept on making them as my knowledge grew," he says. "Just about everything I needed was right there, and the material was in the bush."

Rick Nash left the Kanawa Canoe Museum in 1983, and the collection eventually moved and became part of the Canadian Canoe Museum. Nash continues to make and sell full-sized birchbark canoes and one-fifth scale museum quality models. He also makes snowshoes, paddles, toboggans, bark baskets and quill

Interesting



People

george farrell



PHOTO BY/George Farrell

The camera-shy master woodworker, Rick Nash builds beautiful birch bark canoes by hand.

boxes. He repairs and restores original canoes in private collections as well as some of those in the Canadian Canoe Museum, in Peterborough.

Using a crooked knife (a tool which is at the heart of traditional bark canoe making), awls, chisels and cord wrapping, Nash slowly and meticulously crafts his full sized canoes, or scale models. Sheets of bark are carefully bent around selected white cedar and birch structural pieces, which are split, rived and shaped with axe and crooked knife. Paddles are split from quartered logs and hand-shaped by axe, crooked knife and scraper. Knives and nails are implemented to decorate and carve the paddles.

Nash uses a variety of woods depending on what he's making, and he goes out and gathers birch, maple, cedar and tamarack, from his property adjacent to the Frost Centre. "I stick to the traditional woods," he says.

In taking great care to replicate the precise methods and details of the individual classes of canoe, Rick Nash is honouring both the history and craftsmanship of these beautiful boats, and the craftsmen of the indigenous North Americans who made them.



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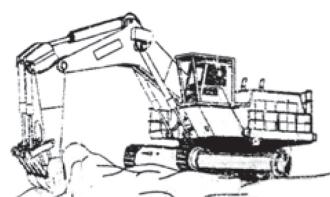
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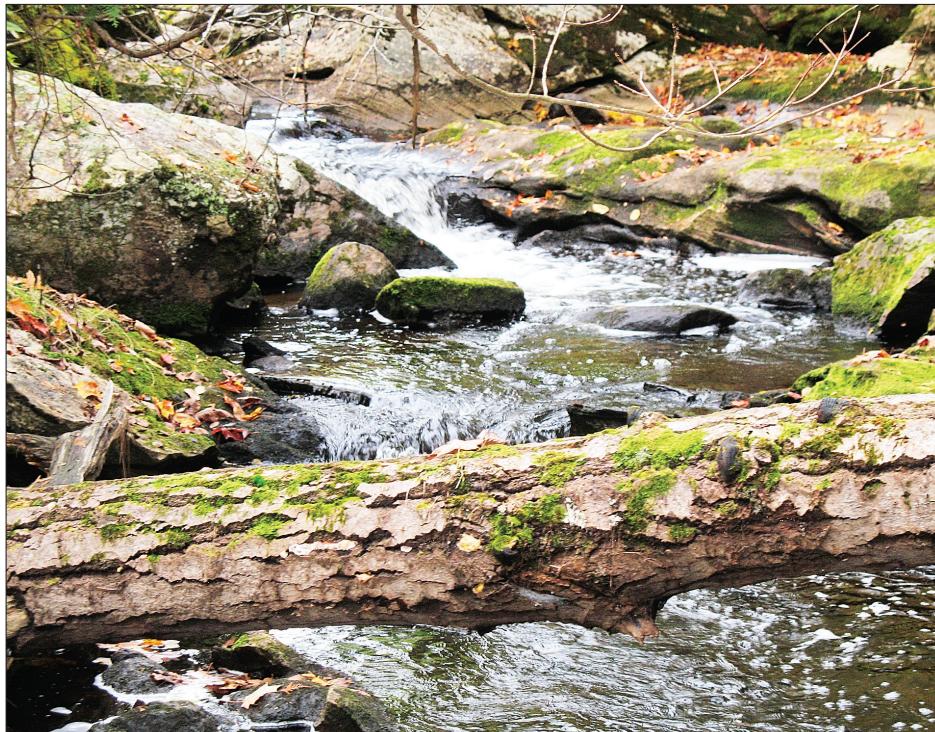
It tempers the heat; it washes the dusty country road; it paints the earth with the humble colours of life. Rain is the simple miracle on which we all depend.

This is the thing we sometimes forget as we bask lazily in the warmth that clings beneath a pale blue sky. But stand outside in a gentle shower, have a good look around and you'll once again be reminded that, falling all around you, is the blood of the earth. If it doesn't flow and circulate, life struggles; eliminate it and the earth, as we know it, dies.

As I walked the dew-drenched fields early this morning, it was easy to remember all of this. A light rain descended, polishing slick the greenery of late spring and peeling away the last vestiges of sleep from a tired man. You can't feel old or less than alive in a rain like this. You can only feel cleansed or, if you are receptive to the idea, baptized by nature.

There is renewal in each drop, redemption in the way it collects in puddles, clings to leaves, and hangs off the end of your nose. Rain alters everything it touches. It cleanses and offers sublime forgiveness.

Bird songs sound different when accompanying it, more cheery and rich, as if they understand the value of this sacred gift and are offering hymns of thanks. Could it be that they realize that these heaven-sent waters are what make the berries grow, the flowers emerge and the insects hatch? Maybe they are, on some level, aware that ponds pock-marked by rain drops, that recharged



On a rainy summer afternoon, stop and think about the rain.

streams, full lakes and moisture-soaked soil create an environment in which it is easier for all things to survive.

Then again, it could be that they just associate the wonderful, timeless music of it all with the complex rhythms and flows of the natural world. Listen to it closely sometime, hammering on a tin roof, splatting against a leafy canopy, tapping on the taut nylon of a tent or beating on the brim of your hat. This truly is the soundtrack of all life – classi-

est composition. Even those who dislike songs must surely appreciate the harmony of the rain.

How can you not? It soothes and reassures. It supports growth and eventually wears down those things whose time has finally come. It floats the boats of young children who play in sewer-bound roadside streams, it gives them something in which to jump into and splash. It makes baths for birds, homes for frogs and fish, and drinking troughs for deer. It keeps the soil from being blown away with every errant wind. It provides stability and it moulds and carves the topography of the landscapes we love.

Of course, it can be deadly and immensely powerful too, for it is a primal force of nature. And it is interesting to note that with all of our science and technology, we still have not really found a way to harvest, control and exploit it, even though it is surely our most valuable resource. At best, we can tease water from clouds and make half-right predictions about where it will fall.

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Students at J.D. Hodgson show their true character

ANGELICA BLENICH

Staff reporter

The end of the school year wouldn't be complete without a party to celebrate.

However, for the Grade 7 students at J.D. Hodgson Elementary School the party was also a test.

On June 16 the Grade 7 literacy class took part in a character party to test the students on the novels that they studied throughout the year.

"The kids had a choice to dress up as one of their favourite characters from any of the books we read this year," said literacy teacher Laurie Bowker. "Not only do they have to look the part but they also have to play the part and answer any questions I might throw their way."

This year's books included *The Giver*, *Tuck Everlasting*, *Underground to Canada*, *Holes* and *The Magician's Nephew*. A wide range of characters was present at the party as was each child's unique interpretation of the person's appearance and persona.

Principal Traci Hubbert was also on hand to quiz the students' knowledge and see if they make the grade.

"I was asked to come and help test the students because I have read every one of the books they studied," said Hubbert. "There are definitely a few students who are getting right into it and consciously trying to stay in character."

However the party wasn't all about tests and hard work as students were treated to cake and juice in recognition of all their hard work throughout the year.



Grade 7 students from J.D. Hodgson were challenged to dress as a character from one of the many books the students studied this year, such as Alexander from *Underground to Canada*, seen here. /Photo Angelica Blenich

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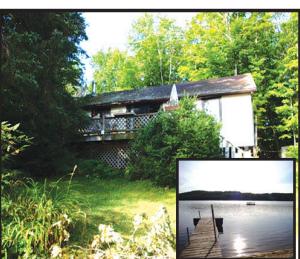
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ANGELICA BLEINICH/Echo

Richard Moritz reaches for his over the top serve on the tennis courts at Head Lake park on June 15.



DARREN LUM/Echo

Seniors vie for positions at summer games

Haliburton's Chester Howse watches his horseshoe fly during the qualifier for the Ontario Senior Summer Games Actifest hosted in Gooderham on Monday, June 7. Gooderham's Rick Dingman and Jack Jackson earned the berth, winning the event with a record of 9-1. Howse and teammate John Smillie finished third. Those advancing will travel to Oshawa in August for competition.

The Stamp Team

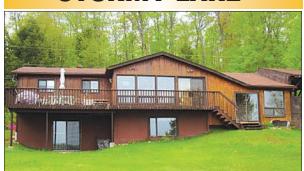
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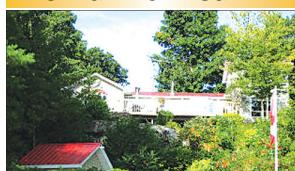
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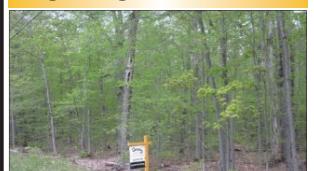
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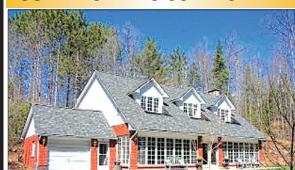
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Staff and visitors to Victoria Street School stand in the building's double stairway. Built in 1924, the school was used until 1999 and now houses an adult education centre and The Bridge youth centre. /Photos by Chad Ingram

DOORS OPEN

Many look inside

More than 20 businesses, churches, homes and government buildings throughout Dysart et al township opened their doors for the township's first ever Doors Open Ontario event on June 19 and 20. The event, which takes place in communities throughout the province, allows people to take a peek inside unique buildings, many of which wouldn't normally be open to the public.



The Haliburton United Church, built in 1911, was one of the stops on the tour.



Don Downey, left, stands with wife Margaret and Anna English beside a picture of Clayton and Phyllis Hodgson inside Hodgson House during Dysart et al's Doors Open Ontario event on June 19. Margaret and English, sisters, are two of the four children of the Hodgsons and said they hadn't been in the house, built in 1928, since it was sold after their mother's death.

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GRADUATION

Students DARE to be true

DARREN LUM

Staff reporter

J.D. Hodgson Elementary School students are promising to just say no.

There were 64 students in Grades 6 and 7 who graduated from the DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program that teaches skills to avoid involvement in alcohol abuse, drugs, gangs and violence this past Friday.

Partnered with the OPP here in Haliburton, the program has given an opportunity for students to interact with police in a helping role instead of an enforcement role.

OPP Constable Mark McMaster, who handed out the certificates to each student for his

or her successful completion of the eight-week program, was candid with the audience in his closing remarks.

"I'm not going to sit here and tell you that all the kids that graduate the program are going to be drug free and alcohol free. It breaks my heart when you see someone downtown, whether they're drinking or smoking. Actually some of them aren't with us. It sort of [cuts right to the] bone. We have to do something because we get skeptics that say it doesn't work, but what is the alternative to not doing anything at all," he said.

McMaster, who has been a police officer for more than 29 years, is ending his involvement with the program, but learned as much about the children as they did about him.



DARREN LUM/ECHO

J.D. Hodgson Elementary School had reason to smile as 64 Grade 6 and 7s graduated from the DARE program on Friday, June 18. The program teaches students about alcohol abuse and the pitfalls of drug and tobacco use.

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Natalie sings Girl Get Your Records On.

Alex, left, shares a laugh with Jessica at the conclusion of singing *Humuhumunukunukuapua'a* at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion during the J.D. Hodgson Elementary School Music Night 2010 on Wednesday, June 16.

J.D. Hodgson students entertain at Pavilion

There was a packed crowd to witness the result of a year's worth of practising and hard work by the students singing and playing instruments at the annual J.D. Hodgson Elementary School Music Night held at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion on Wednesday, June 16.

It was a night to showcase musical talent as students performed favourites, their own songs and soon-to-be-favourites. Music teacher and conductor, Lorie Reddering helped with all the students and led the Grade 7 band, Grade 8 band, and the school's choir.

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Garbage adjacent to the Rail Trail has always been a problem and, regardless of who gets the blame, one group of volunteers can be counted on to help clean up the mess each year. On June 12, the Haliburton ATV Association focused on the IB&O Rail Trail that runs from Wilberforce to Gooderham.

Working in the rain and mud presented the usual challenges, but ATVers are always prepared for this kind of weather with rain suits, tall boots and work gloves.

Three trailers full of items resulted from the day's work, including the usual bags of garbage as well as cans, bottles and loose debris. However, surprise items

included a freezer, an oil tank, a couple of humidifiers and more than 50 tires. Some truck tires were still on the rims. All of these were down in a gully, but with the help of the winches on their bikes, the ATV club members were able to haul them up. With clearance from Dave Burton, reeve of Highlands East, items were accepted at the Tory Hill dump.

Celebrating a job well done, the volunteers were treated to a barbecue lunch, after cleaning up themselves. It was a day full of camaraderie and satisfaction. Bob Johnson, president of HATVA, presented volunteers with the club's official volunteer hats.

On future spring and fall clean-up days Haliburton ATV Association will invite other Trail user groups to adopt a few metres of trail and join in the volunteer effort. As they say, "Many hands make light work" and all users of the Rail Trail benefit from a clean and natural setting.



More than 50 tires were found during the cleanup along the IB&O Rail Trail. /Submitted photo

The fall clean-up will take place on a Saturday in October. Details will be advertised in advance so you can mark it on your calendars. Lunch is on the Haliburton ATV Association.

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A business card for BlackRock Landscapes. The card features a circular logo on the left with a stylized white tree icon. To the right of the logo, the company name 'blackrock' is written in a bold, lowercase, sans-serif font, with 'landscapes' in a smaller, lowercase font below it. The card is divided into two main sections: contact information on the left and a circular address section on the right. The contact information includes an email address 'info@blackrocklandscapes.ca', a website 'www.blackrocklandscapes.ca', and a toll-free phone number 'toll free: 1-877-353-3313'. The circular address section contains the address 'RR#2 Loon Lake, Haliburton, Ont. K0M1S0 Canada', the telephone number 'tel :705-457-4574', and the fax number 'fax :705-457-5031'. The bottom of the card features the names 'don woudstra', 'concept', 'design', and 'construction' in a small, lowercase, sans-serif font.

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WARDEN'S BREAKFAST

Tourism themed talks

Warden Dave Burton stands with those who helped organize and participate in the third annual warden's breakfast, held on June 10 at the Pinestone Reort. The theme of the breakfast was tourism in the Highlands and the event featured three guest speakers who spoke about its future in Haliburton.

From left: Warden Dave Burton, Michael Kurts, assistant deputy minister of the Ministry of Tourism, Frank Vismeg, general manager of Pinestone Resort, Darko Vranich, CEO of Vrancor Corp., Myke Malone, general manager of 2011 Ontario Senior Games, Bob Smith, economic development director of Haliburton and Mitchell Wilkie, transitional board chair of Regional Tourism Organization 11.

/Photo by Angelica Blenich

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CYCLING

Shifting Gears Cycling Festival rides into Haliburton

No matter which way you spin it, there will be wheel excitement as the annual cycling festival returns to Haliburton County on the last Saturday of June.

On June 26 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., the fifth annual Shifting Gears Cycling Festival takes place in Head Lake Park in Haliburton Village. The free event is organized by the Haliburton Highlands Cycling Coalition to promote the sport of cycling to new or experienced riders of all ages.

"With summer almost here, it's time to switch gears and celebrate cycling in the Highlands," says Sue Shikaze, a

cycling coalition member and Health Promoter with the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit. "Not only is cycling an opportunity to be active with friends and family, it is also a great way to enjoy the fresh air, vivid scenery and variety of bike routes right in your own backyard."

To kick off the festivities on June 26, an OPP officer will be in Head Lake Park at 9:30 a.m. to lead a workshop for children and youth on the safe handling of bikes. The Shifting Gears Cycling Festival itself gets rolling at 10 a.m. with the Record Breaking Ride, a one-kilometre ride through Haliburton Village and back to Head Lake Park.

Back in Head Lake Park from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., there

will be fun, family activities, including bike decorating, challenge courses, children's events, contests, vendor displays, information booths and much more. One of the highlights of the festival is a Gear Swap taking place from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Individuals who want to sell cycling-related gear or extra bikes can bring them to an area in the park set aside for selling goods. Items should be priced and ready to go, with any unsold goods removed at the end of the event. Organizers ask that used bike helmets not be part of the swap event.

During the festival, attendees can also view and put in bids for bike sculptures made by local artists Tracey Green and Daryl Sands. The sculptures, made of used bike parts, are part of a silent auction taking place during the morning.

Around 11 a.m., the Celebrity Tricycle Challenge returns for another year. This popular event debuted last year, and again features local celebrities competing on three wheels to see who is fastest. Among the participants is local MPP Rick Johnson, who will also put on a music show for children during the morning. The Cycling Festival wraps up from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. with live music by the Jazz Kitchen and food catered by Rhubarb chef Chris Carl.

For more information on the Shifting Gears Cycling Festival, call the Health Unit at 705-457-1391 or visit www.cyclehaliburton.ca.

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HANDS-ON LEARNING

Farmers' association brings animals to elementary school



Students at Stuart Baker Elementary School, such as Emma, became friends with the farm animals on June 16.



Paul enjoyed time with the ducks at the farmers' association event at SBES. Photos by Angelica Blenich.

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Specifications and blank authorization and execution forms for this tender can be obtained at the Dysart Municipal Office, 135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton, ON, or on our website at www.dysartetal.ca.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Students at Stuart Baker Elementary School became friends with the farm animals on June 16 thanks to a visit from the Haliburton County Farmers Association. The visit included a miniature horse, roosters, ducks, alpacas, sheep,

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

TOWNSHIP OF ALGONQUIN HIGHLANDS 5 YEAR OFFICIAL PLAN REVIEW

TAKE NOTICE THAT pursuant to Section 26(3) of the *Planning Act*, the Council of the Township of Algonquin Highlands will hold a Special Meeting of Council to discuss revisions that may be required to the current Township of Algonquin Highlands Official Plan:

WHEN: **Thursday, July 29, 2010**
TIME: **9:00 a.m.**
WHERE: Municipal Office
1123 North Shore Road
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Algonquin Highlands 5 Year Official Plan Review

The Official Plan is the municipality's key planning document intended to guide and control future land use development in the municipality. The Township's Official Plan divides the municipality into various land use designations, such as Settlement Areas, Waterfront, Rural, Wilderness and others, with corresponding policies pertaining to development within each of these designations. The Official Plan also contains general policies relating to environmental management, resource protection, transportation, services and utilities.

The Township's Official Plan was approved in 2005 and the *Planning Act* requires that an Official Plan Review be undertaken at least every five years to ensure that it does not conflict with provincial plans, is consistent with provincial policy statements, conforms to the County of Haliburton Official Plan and continues to reflect matters of interest to the community. The Township of Algonquin Highlands initiated the 5 Year Official Plan Review in the spring and an initial Public Open House was held on May 29, 2010, with the intent of introducing the process to the community and obtaining input in an informal manner.

Purpose of Special Meeting of Council

The Special Meeting of Council is required by the *Planning Act* and the purpose is to discuss revisions that may be required to the Township of Algonquin Highlands Official Plan and to obtain comment from the Public on these matters. This Meeting will be the second opportunity for the Public to provide input into the 5 Year Official Plan Review process.

We would welcome your input on this process either in writing or in person at the Special Meeting of Council. Any comments, information or questions should be directed to either of the Project Team members listed below:

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NOTICE OF STUDY COMMENCEMENT

Bark Lake Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Improvements Integrated Approach – Planning Act and Class Environmental Assessment (Schedule 'C' Class EA Requirements)

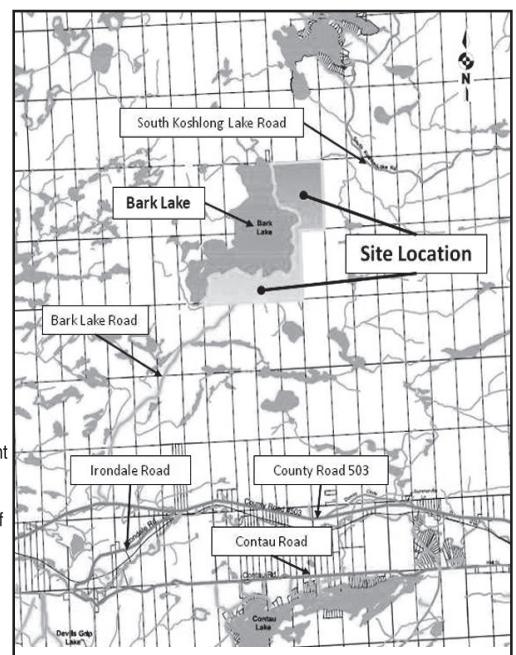
The Study

Century Lane Developments Inc. is the owner of the former Bark Lake Leadership Camp and Resort Facility. This parcel of land is approximately 147 hectares and was previously approved for a 135 unit Draft Plan of Subdivision. The plan consisted of 47 single family lots along the shoreline, 64 townhouse units on the interior and a 24 unit apartment building. A market study was completed which concluded that there was no market for townhouses in this area and the owner redesigned the plan to replace the townhouses and apartment building. The plan now consists of 95 freehold lots, all intended for single detached dwellings. The proposed development is located on lands north of Glamorgan Township approximately 4.5 km north of Highway 503 and 8.5 km northwest of Gooderham and is described legally as Lots 11, 12, 13, and 14, Concession 10, and lots 14 and 15 as displayed on the adjacent map.

The development will be fully serviced for water supply and sewage treatment where existing water and wastewater infrastructure capacity will not adequately service 95 single detached dwellings.

Planning Act and Environmental Assessment

Century Lane Developments will use the 'Integrated Approach' as outlined in Section A.2.9 of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) document. This study will address the Planning Act approvals and the Schedule 'C' Class Environmental Assessment requirements for the water supply and sewage treatment improvements required to service the proposed development. In accordance with the integrated approach, once the owner has satisfied Section A.2.9 of the MCEA process, the Planning Act approval of Subdivision will constitute the fulfillment of the requirements of the Class Environmental Assessment for the specified improvements to water supply and sewage treatment facilities.



The development of a preferred solution to address water supply and sewage treatment needs plus alternative methods to implementing the preferred solution will be evaluated. Appropriate mitigation techniques will be implemented as required where the evaluation is based on the effects and associated impacts each alternative poses on the natural, built, and socio-economic environments.

Public Consultation

Members of the public, agencies and other interested persons are encouraged to participate actively in the process by attending consultation opportunities or contacting staff directly with information, comments or questions. Two Public Information Centres are planned to be held as a drop in format where members of the project team will be available to answer questions pertinent to the study.

Information on this project as part of the Integrated Planning and Environmental Assessment Process is available by contacting either of the following project representatives:

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Tom and Grace Mals's snapping turtle stops for a photo.



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Gary Gough's luna moth.



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COUNTY OF HALIBURTON NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PLAN OF SUBDIVISION AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 51 of the *Planning Act*, as amended, and Ontario Regulation 544/06, as amended, that the following Application for Plan of Subdivision has been submitted to the County of Haliburton, the approval authority in these matters.

TAKE NOTICE: The Council of the County of Haliburton will hold a public meeting on **Wednesday July 28th, 2010 at 9:30 a.m.** in the Administration Building, County of Haliburton Office, 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario to hear comments on the proposed plan of subdivision.

1. File No. 46-T-1001

Applicant: CENTURY LANE DEVELOPMENTS CORP.

Location of the Property: Part of Lots 11 to 14, Concession 10 and
Part of Lots 14 & 15, Concession 11
Geographic Township of Glamorgan

Nature of the Application: Plan of Subdivision

Purpose and Effect: The application proposes to create 95 residential subdivision lots and 15 blocks. The 15 blocks represent the private road, communal water, communal sewage treatment plant, maintenance yard and community centre. All private services will be developed through a common element condominium. Access to the site is from a private road which crosses Crown Land.

ANY PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed plan of subdivision/condominium.

WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS in respect of the proposed plan of subdivision/condominium are to be filed with the County of Haliburton, Planning Department, P. O. Box 399, 11 Newcastle St., Minden, ON K0M 2K0.

IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, if one is held, or make written submissions to the County of Haliburton in respect of the proposed plan of subdivision/condominium before the approval authority gives or refuses to give approval to the draft plan of subdivision/condominium, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the County of Haliburton to the Ontario Municipal Board.

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REQUESTING NOTICE OF DECISION: A decision will be made by the Council of County of Haliburton once the review of the proposal has been completed. If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Council of the County of Haliburton in respect of the proposed plan of subdivision/condominium, you must make a written request to the Planning Department, County of Haliburton, P. O. Box 399, 11 Newcastle St., Minden, ON K0M 2K0.

OTHER RELATED APPLICATIONS: The communal components are subject to Schedule "C" Class Environmental Assessment requirements. An integrated approach under the *Planning Act* and *Municipal Class Environmental Assessment* is being used for the services.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Additional information regarding this Application for Plan of Subdivision/Condominium is available for public inspection at the Planning Department, County of Haliburton, by appointment during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Dated at the Township of Minden this 22nd day of June, 2010.

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Director of Planning
County of Haliburton
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Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0
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or 1-866-886-8815, Ext. 222
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HALIBURTON CONCERT SERIES

Limited supply of concert tickets available

The Haliburton Concert Series has announced that a limited supply of single tickets is available for the final two concerts in its 2010 series.

Quartetto Gelato (<http://quartettogelato.ca/>) will be

the guest artist on Saturday, Sept. 11, and the Made in Canada Ensemble (http://web.mac.com/sharon.wei/Sharon_Wei/Made_in_Canada.html) will be the guest artist on Saturday, Nov. 13. Both concerts will take

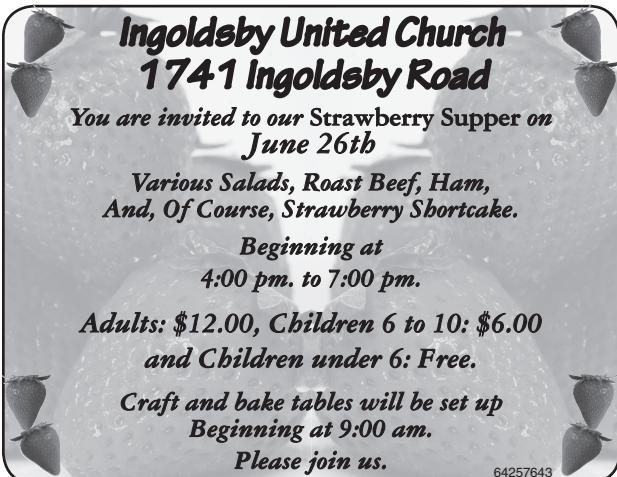
place at 7:30 p.m. in the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion.

Tickets are \$30 each, tax included, and are available from Brenda Robinson at 457-2695 or brobinson@interhop.net.

Due to the limited availability, we encourage you to get your tickets early.

You may also be interested in visiting our new website – www.haliburtoncs.blogspot.com. We will be using it to provide the latest information about our subscription series.

Submitted by Elaine Bell



Fifth ANNUAL

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10 AM TO 1:30 PM
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BACK THIS YEAR - THE CELEBRITY TRICYCLE CHALLENGE
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12:30 PM - CHILDREN'S MUSICAL PERFORMANCE BY RICK JOHNSON
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Coming Events



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5 dates this summer:
Saturday June 26th, 2pm - Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association
Monday June 28th, 6pm - Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association
Saturday July 3rd, 2pm - Gooderham Community Centre
Saturday July 10th, 2pm - R.D.Lawrence Place, Minden
Saturday August 14th, 2pm - Wilberforce Community Centre

Call Leora Berman at 457-4838 or tib@thelandbetween.ca to register or for details
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WILBERFORCE

Red Cross Outpost hosts Canada Day fun

community news

wilberforce

Hilda Clark
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Where better to spend part of Canada Day than at a National Historic Site? You can do that in Wilberforce on the grounds of our Red Cross Outpost National Historic Site.

Canada Day celebrations will begin at 11:30 a.m. with the raising of the Canadian flag by members of branch 624 of the Royal Canadian Legion.

Do join in all the fun including Canada Day cake and ice cream on the lakeside lawn. Sandwich plates will be available for purchase. Be a part of it. Wave the flag for Canada.

The Outpost Museum will be open for visitors on Canada Day and daily throughout the summer from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Year-end celebrations for the students at the Wilberforce school will be a little different than in recent years.

On Thursday, June 24 at 2 p.m. at the Lloyd Watson Centre they will celebrate the senior kindergarten graduation as usual. Also they will recognize students who have made positive contributions to the school in a variety of ways this school year. Volunteers will also be recognized.

Previously the Grade 6 students would be graduating from this school. With the

Wilberforce School becoming a Grade 4 to 8 school in September this year's Grade 6s will stay on for two more years.

Changes are not new at this school. Over its 99 years of providing education for local students the grades taught here have varied. It has been a Grade 1 to 8, a 1 to 13, a 1 to 10, a kindergarten to 4, a kindergarten to 6 school. Several other combinations of grades have been experienced depending on the school population.

On June 25 from 11:20 a.m. to 1 p.m. it will be Fun Day at the school with special activities to celebrate a wonderful year. June 30 will be the final day of classes this year.

Tuesday evenings at the Wilberforce Library are sure to be fun this summer. Beginning Tuesday, June 29, Carolyn Barnes will be leading story and crafts time from 7 to 8 p.m. Carolyn is home for the summer after a successful year at university in Ottawa.

Swimming lessons are being provided again this summer by the municipality of Highlands East. At the Wilbermere Lake beach session 1 is scheduled for July 5 to July 16. Session 2 will be Aug. 2 to Aug. 13. Lessons are also available at the Gooderham (Pine Lake) beach and at the Cardiff pool. Resident fees are \$25 per session. For more information or to register call 448-2981.

Did you know the top Second World War secret spy training school was not that many miles from here? Known as Camp X, it was strategically located on

the shores of Lake Ontario on the border between Whitby and Oshawa during the early 1940s. Members of the Retired Teachers of Ontario, Haliburton Unit District 18 heard all about this famous camp from author Lynn Phillip Hodgson on June 15. His very informative presentation took place after the RTO's AGM and a pleasant luncheon at Bonnie View Inn beside beautiful Lake Kashagawigamog. Mr. Hodgson has devoted much time and energy researching Camp X and truly enjoys sharing stories about this amazing part that Canada and Canadians played to help win WWII. His books include *Inside Camp-X* and *Dispatches From Camp-X*.

The RTO Unit Executive for 2010-2011 is: past president – Nick Pawluch, president – Pauline Johnson, VP – Merv Sheppard, secretary – Betty Mark, treasurer – Jim Milne, senator – Wayne Cooper, membership – Marg Valentine, goodwill convener – Marj Baldry.



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for the community
to celebrate the retirement and new beginnings of 3 of our
esteemed colleagues:

Mr. Gary Brohman, Principal

Mr. Paul Morissette, Head of Social Studies
Mr. Walter Tose, Head of Mathematics

(Red Hawks Forever)



On Monday, June 28th, 2010
In the H.H.S.S. Main Office
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Wishing better health for those in hospital

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Eleanor Cooper
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We're wishing better health for Mary Nicholls as she awaits surgery in Toronto and for Greg Sisson (son of Bev and Kevin) as he recovers in Peterborough Hospital from an appendectomy.

Congratulations to Jamie MacDonald,

Nick Chumbley's fiancée, who graduated from Trent University, majoring in English and history and planning to take a museum curator's course.

We tend to take Canada Day at the centre for granted, but it needs a great deal of planning every year and many volunteers. None of the jobs is that hard, just an hour or so, but if you give Carol Stamp or Kay Morrison a call 754-2168 or 754-2464, they would be able to make use of your time, a.m. or p.m. for various activities. Thanks for your response.



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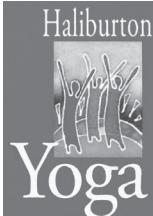
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Parker Pad and Printing relocates

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Coming Events



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community calendar



What's happening in the County

Post your event for free on the web. Go to: www.mindentimes.ca or to the  Haliburton Highlands Community Calendar link at: www.haliburtonecho.ca

- **June 23: Haliburton Highlands Toast Master is holding their CHARTER night at the Pinestone** - Starting at 7 pm with a break for finger foods to celebrate. Speaker is Ross C. Mackey (DTM). Guest and visitors welcome. (New club members can join at any time) Call 489-3661
- **June 24: Royal Canadian Legion Branch 129 Haliburton Ladies Auxiliary Meeting at 7 pm**
- **June 26: Salad and Strawberry Supper at the St. Peters Anglican Church, Maple Lake from 5:00 – 7:00 pm** – Tickets available at the door. Call Geraldine 754-4428 or Doreen 489-3606.
- **June 26: Shifting Gears Cycling Festival from 9:30 am – 1:30 pm Head Lake Park, Haliburton** – Come out the fifth annual cycling festival. Participate in the Record Breaking Ride! Fun activities for the whole family including bike decorating, challenge courses, contests, vendors, information booths and much more! Call 705-457-1391 for more details.
- **June 26: Ingoldsby UCW Strawberry Supper** – Everyone is welcome to our Strawberry Supper from 4:00 – 7:00 pm. Craft & Bake Sale beginning at 9 am. Please join us.
- **June 26: Horseshoe Lake Property Owner's Association Annual General Meeting** – will be held at the clubhouse of the Minden Wild Water Preserve from 1:00 – 3:00 pm. Councillors have been invited to attend. There will be a presentation by the Coalition for Equitable Water Flow. Come early to enjoy coffee, tea and donuts.
- **June 29: Le Club de francais – last meeting before summer at Fleming College, from 7-8:30 pm** – Venez s'amuser, discuter, chanter, jouer et manger en francais. 754-1294

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Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date.

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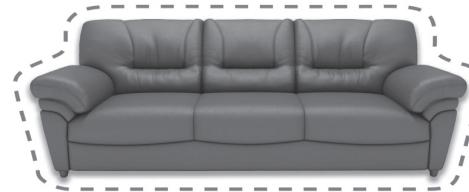
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Graduations



Parents George Farrell and Michelle St. Pierre, and grandparents Stan and Jean Farrell, are proud to announce the graduation of Tyson Farrell. On June 3rd Tyson graduated from Trent University and received a BA Honours with a joint major in International Development Studies and History. During the four years of his undergraduate degree, which included a year of study at the University of Ghana, West Africa, Tyson maintained positions on both the Dean's Honour Roll and President's Honour Roll. In the fall Tyson will be traveling to England where he will be reading for his M.Phil in Development Studies at the University of Cambridge.

CONGRATULATIONS!

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Thank You Cards

Thank you to our family, friends, church families and co-workers for all your prayers, cards, phone calls, flowers and gift cards.

Thank you to Marilyn and the other Para-med nurses who visited Jessie for 7 weeks.

Thank you to all the nurses, Doctors and the paramedics who looked after Jessie in April.

The tube is out and Jessie is back in school; Yipee, it's about time!!

We are so blessed to live in a small caring community.

Jessie, Ross, Laurie, Bradford, Rachel & Heidi Burk

Deaths

ALMA JEAN MacDUFF, passed away at Belleville General Hospital on May 24, 2010 at the age of 85. Jean (Lewis) MacDuff, was the beloved wife of the late Lloyd Russell MacDuff. Loving mother of Joan Lindsay & Bruce of Golden Lake, Lorraine & the late Ray Casey of Wilberforce, Linda & Bill Bowers of Lindsay, Geraldine & Rodney Bowen of Wilberforce, Darryl & Sandi of Oshawa and Lyle & Debbie of Bethany. She was the loving grandmother of Dwain, Lisa, Darren, ReNee, Kenton, Marsha, Dwight, Jason, Julie, Brittany, Ryan, Brittany and Brooke and great grandmother of Lindsay, Shayne, Cooper, Willow, ShelbyLynn, Curtis, Summer, Dawson, Danielle, Paige, Camden, Amanda, Makenzie, Ryley and Courtney. Jean is survived by her siblings: Bernie Lewis of Wilberforce, Valera(Ross) Mumford of Omemee and Guy (Joan) Lewis of Peterbrough. She was predeceased by: Raymond and Carl. Jean was born in Highland Grove to Nelson David Lewis and Lillian Blanche Sacie on August 28, 1924. She has resided in Wilberforce for the last 45 years & lived in Tory Hill & Highland Grove prior to moving to Wilberforce. Visitation was held from the Baragar Funeral Home in Bancroft from 7-9 p.m., Thursday evening and from the Wilberforce United Church from 12 - 1 p.m. on Friday. Funeral service was held from the Wilberforce United Church on Friday, May 28, 2010 at 1 p.m. with the Rev. Patsy Henry officiating. Interment followed at South Wilberforce Cemetery. Pallbearers were her 6 grandsons; Dwain, Darren, Dwight, Jason, Kenton and Ryan.

The family would appreciate donations to either the Bancroft hospital or to Ronald McDonald House.



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Dorothy Iles

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Peacefully at Haliburton Hospital on Wednesday morning, June 16, 2010 in her 85th year. Beloved wife of the late Edward (Ted) Iles. Loving mother of Sheila (Bob Cole) of Huntsville. Fondly remembered by her grandson Corey. Dear sister of Richard Davies (Grace) of Haliburton and Bev (Ron Sawyer) of Little Britain. Predeceased by her son Leslie, her brothers Ron, Bill and by her sister Barb Nichols. Also lovingly remembered by many nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews.

Visitation & Memorial Service

Friends may call at the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario on Thursday morning, June 24, 2010 from 10 o'clock until time of Memorial Service in the Chapel at 11 o'clock. Interment later Evergreen Cemetery, Haliburton. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Ontario or the Canadian Diabetes Association would be appreciated by the family.

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Thanks to the ladies of the Pentecostal Church for the lovely lunch. Also, thanks to many family and friends who attended the services at the Pentecostal Church. A special thank you to those who sent flowers, cards and donations.

*The family of the late
Beatrice Eileen Reil*



In memoriam

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Love, Cheryl

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SHIPLEY, Jan & Earl - In loving memory of our wonderful parents, JAN - June 19th, 2009 and EARL - March 16th, 1990.

*When I must leave you
for a little while,
Please go on bravely
with a gallant smile
And for my sake and in my name,
Live on and do all things the same
Spend not your life in empty days,
But fill each waking hour
In useful ways
Reach out your hand
in comfort and in cheer,
And I in turn will comfort you
And hold you near.*

Missing you always, loving you forever.
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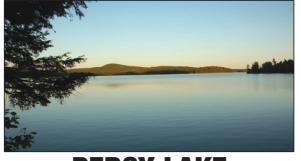
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